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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 2306

H. P. 2206

House of Representatives, March 17, 1976

Reported by Committee on Natural Resources pursuant to Joint Order
H. P. 2172.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Blodgett of Waldoboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SIX

**AN ACT to Permit Local Plumbing Inspectors to Approve Repairs to
Existing Septic Systems.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

22 MRSA § 42, sub-§ 3, first ¶, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973,
c. 521, § 1, is amended by adding at the end 2 new sentences to read:

The rules and regulations adopted by the department shall provide with respect to the repair and replacement of any part or parts of existing private sewage systems serving family dwellings, year round or seasonal, that the local plumbing inspector may approve all repairs and replacement of any part or parts of these existing private sewage disposal systems and may issue all necessary permits without the approval of the department. For the purpose of this paragraph, family dwelling shall include a structure or mobile home inhabited by no more than 2 individual families.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to allow the local plumbing inspector to approve repairs to or replacement of any part or parts necessary to accomplish the repairs to existing septic systems without the necessity of having approval from the department in Augusta. The intent is to encourage the repair of existing malfunctioning septic systems.