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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE (Filing No. S-212)  
108TH LEGISLATURE  
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SENATE AMENDMENT " B " to S.P. 508, L.D. 1793, Bill,  
"AN ACT to Revise the Water Quality Program."

Amend the Bill by adding at the end before the  
statement of fact the following:

'Sec. 36. 38 MRSA §417, as last amended by PL 1973,  
c. 450, §17, is further amended by adding at the end the  
following new paragraph:

Notwithstanding this section, if the Board of  
Environmental Protection shall determine from an examination  
of soil conditions, groundwater characteristics, climatic  
conditions, topography, the nature and amount of the solid  
waste and other appropriate factors that the deposit of  
solid waste into noncritical waters of the State is  
preferable to other reasonable alternatives, it may,  
after notice and hearing, permit the deposit of solid waste  
within such area, upon such terms and conditions as it  
deems necessary.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment provides a solid waste disposal variance  
under Title 38, section 417 which is consistent in form with  
a present variance granted by Title 38, section 421. This  
variance is necessary to permit the City of Rockland to  
continue use of its present dump and to invite surrounding

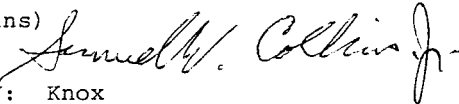
communities to use this dump, a step which will eliminate problems which those communities are now experiencing with solid waste disposal.

Current evidence indicates that the pollution caused by the Rockland dump is limited to quarry areas and does not adversely affect the general environment. It is preferable to continue using an established dump for a general area, rather than to require communities surrounding Rockland to develop 6 or 8 other more troublesome dumping areas.

(S. Collins)

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COUNTY: Knox



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