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	FIRST REGU	LAR SESSION	
ON	E HUNDRED AND T	WELFTH LEGISLAT	JRE
Legislative Do	cument		No. 1096
H.P. 775	Н	ouse of Representatives	s, March 21, 1985
On motion Committee on I ordered printed.	energy and Natural Res	haud of Medway, refer sources. Sent up for co	red to the incurrence and
		EDWIN	H. PERT, Clerk
Cosponsore	l Representative Micha	own of Livermore Fall and of Medway.	ls, Senator Kany
	STATE O	F MAINE	
	IN THE YEAR	OF OUR LORD	
V	INETEEN HUNDRED	AND EIGHTY-FIVE	E
	posal of Solid	e the Importation Waste and Hazaro n Maine.	
Be it enact follows:	ed by the Peopl	e of the State o	of Maine as
38 MRSA	§1304, sub-§11	is enacted to	read:
11. Im	ported waste r	eport. The boar	rd shall re-
and dispos	ed of in the S	tate. The repor	rt shall in-
clude consi	deration of the	following areas	<u>5:</u>
		imported waste	
ardous	substances, s	ste, hazardous molid waste and	d any other
waste m	aterial the boa	rd deems approp	riate;
	volumes or wei	ghts, as appro	opriate, of

- 1 C. The location of the disposal sites receiving 2 the imported waste and the estimated remaining 3 capacity of each site;
- D. The states of origin of the imported waste and the regulations governing the disposal of 4 5 6 these wastes in their respective states of ori-7 gin; and
- 8 E. Any potential environmental or public health 9 hazards posed by imported waste.

10 The board shall submit the report to the joint stand-11 ing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction 12 over natural resources. The first report shall be due on or before January 1, 1986, and thereafter the 13 14 report shall be made to the First Regular Session of 15

the Legislature.

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## 16 STATEMENT OF FACT

Substantial quantities of solid waste and potentially toxic materials are imported each year into this State for disposal in land fills. In many instances, the reason for this practice may be that the waste is more stringently regulated in the state in which it is generated. For example, oily waste, sandblasted lead paint and boiler fly ash are currently imported from Massachusetts for disposal in Maine. Each of these materials and others have the potential for serious damage to Maine's environment and the health of its citizens.

In order to assess the magnitude of this issue and to monitor future developments, the Legislature requires up-to-date and comprehensive information on the amounts and types of imported waste. The Legislature will also benefit from knowing how other states regulate the disposal of these wastes.

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