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Resources suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative MITCHELL of Freeport.

Cosponsored by Representatives COLES of Harpswell and
MILLS of Bethel.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Establish the Water Well
Information Law.

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA c. 111 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 111

WATER WELL DRILLERS

§11321. Definitions

As used used in this chapter, unless the context
indicates otherwise, the following terms have the
following meanings.

1 1. Well. "Well" means any hole drilled by any
2 method for the purpose of extracting water from below
3 the ground.

4 2. Well drilling contractor. "Well drilling
5 contractor" means any person, company, firm, partner-
6 ship or corporation engaged in the business of
7 drilled water well construction.

8 §11322. Exclusions

9 Wells for which data reports are already required
10 by any state agency are exempt from the reporting re-
11 quirements of this chapter.

12 §11323. Water well information documentation; well
13 completion reports submitted according to
14 this section

15 1. Well completion reports. Within 45 days af-
16 ter completion of any well or dry hole, or the en-
17 larging or deepening of an existing well, a well
18 drilling contractor shall submit a report to the
19 Maine Geological Survey, on forms designed and pro-
20 vided by the Maine Geological Survey. The report
21 shall contain such information as may be required by
22 the Maine Geological Survey, including, but not lim-
23 ited to, location, construction and ownership of the
24 well, materials encountered and well yield.

25 The Maine Geological Survey may request additional
26 information pertaining to collecting of scientific
27 data related to natural resources.

28 2. Violation. Any well drilling contractor who
29 has engaged in the drilling of water wells but who
30 has not submitted well completion reports on a timely
31 basis, as required by this chapter shall be in viola-
32 tion of this chapter.

33 §11324. Compliance with other laws and rules

34 Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in this
35 chapter, all wells are to be constructed and main-
36 tained in accordance with all other laws and rules in
37 effect.

