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Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Ed Pert'.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative DEXTER of Kingfield.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Remove Legislative Review from Certain Air Quality Standards.



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

3 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §583-B, sub-§5, ¶B,** as amended by PL 1983, c.
566, §33, is further amended to read:

5 B. Other areas may be redesignated as follows:

7 (1) The board may recommend to the Legislature the
9 redesignation of any air quality region in whole or in
part, to Class I, II or III. Prior to this
11 recommendation, an opportunity for a public hearing
shall be offered in areas which may be affected by the
13 proposed redesignation. Prior to notice of the hearing
opportunity, a report shall be made available with a
15 description and an analysis of health, environmental,
economic, social and energy impacts with the proposed
17 redesignation. Should the area proposed for
redesignation include or be deemed to affect federally
19 owned lands, the board shall consult with the
appropriate federal land manager prior to the
21 redesignation. ~~All proposed redesignations shall be
submitted to the Legislature for enactment.~~

23 **Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §584, fourth ¶,** as amended by PL 1987, c. 878,
25 §1, is further amended to read:

27 The board shall by order establish or may amend reasonable
ambient air quality standards for the region, regulating and
29 limiting the amount and type of air contaminants which may exist
in the ambient air of that region, which standards shall be
31 designed to achieve the purposes set forth in this section. The
order shall state the date upon which the standards, or any of
33 them, become effective, ~~and such regions and standards shall
thereafter be in effect until 90 days after the date of
35 adjournment of the next regular session of the Legislature unless
the next regular session shall adopt by legislative enactment the
37 air quality regions and standards.~~

39 **Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §585, last ¶,** as amended by PL 1987, c. 878, §2,
is repealed.

41 **Sec. 4. 38 MRSA §585-A, last ¶,** as amended by PL 1987, c. 878,
43 §3, is further amended to read:

45 The board shall by order establish or amend reasonable
standards and rules which shall be designed to achieve the
47 purposes set forth in this section. The order shall state the
date upon which the standards and rules or any of them, become
49 effective, ~~and the standards shall thereafter be in effect until
90 days after the date of adjournment of the next regular session
51 of the Legislature unless the next regular session shall adopt by
legislative enactment the standards.~~

