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STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 830, L.D. 1162, Bill, "An Act Regarding Sludge Spreading"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'38 MRSA §1304, sub-§13-A is enacted to read:

13-A. Pulp and paper mill sludge; land spreading. The provisions of this section apply only to land spreading and related storage of sludge generated at industrial facilities utilizing kraft wood pulping processes.

A. Subject to Title 5, section 9051-A, the board shall adopt provisions for public notification prior to use of individual utilization sites and storage sites. Notice to individuals shall be made by certified mail.

B. The board shall establish, by rule, requirements for the siting, preparation of the site and operation of facilities, including stockpiles, used for the storage of sludge for a period of more than 30 days. The board shall incorporate the following provisions:

(1) The maximum storage period at facilities without impervious liners and leachate collection and treatment is 6 months. The board may waive this requirement on a case-by-case basis for a maximum of 2 additional months when the applicant has demonstrated that the storage facility is inaccessible or that utilization of the stored material would be in violation of any prohibition of land spreading on frozen, snow-covered or saturated ground.

(2) Sludge storage sites shall not be located within 300 feet of a year-round river, stream, brook or pond

1           nor within 75 feet of any intermittent stream or brook  
2           or any natural drainage way, including gullies, swales  
3           and ravines.

5           (3) Storage facilities without impervious liners and  
6           leachate collection systems may be used only once in  
7           any 10-year period.

9           **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the  
10          preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

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### STATEMENT OF FACT

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17          This amendment modifies the bill to require more  
18          comprehensive public notification. The amendment also includes  
19          more specific statutory provisions for storage periods and  
            setback requirements for storage of pulp and paper mill sludge  
            stockpiles.

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