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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative LUTHER of Mexico. Cosponsored by Representative JACQUES of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Regarding Sludge Spreading.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)



1	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
3	become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
5	Whereas, the stockpiling of wet sludge is insufficiently regulated to protect the health and safety of the public; and
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9	Whereas, wet sludge is currently being stockpiled without a certain day by which it shall be spread; and
11	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
13	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
15	safety; now, therefore,
17	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
19	38 MRSA §1306-D is enacted to read:
21	§1306-D. Sludge
23	1. Sludge; stockpiling prohibited. No person may stockpile sludge off the premises of the industrial facility that generated
25	the sludge, or its associated waste disposal facility. Sludge
27	shall be delivered to the site of land spreading no more than 10 days before it is to be spread.
29	2. Violation. Notwithstanding Title 17-A, sections 4-A and 1301, whoever violates or fails to comply with this section shall
31	be punished by a fine of not less than \$10,000 for each day of violation or noncompliance.
33	VIOLACION OF MOMEORIPITANCE.
35	STATEMENT OF FACT
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39	This bill prohibits the stockpiling of sludge on a land-spreading site. Sludge must be delivered to the site of spreading no more than 10 days before it is to be spread.
41	Persons violating this bill are guilty of a crime for which no imprisonment is imposed, but are subject to a fine of \$10,000 for
43	each day of violation.