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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1249, L.D. 1747, Bill, "An Act to Protect the Public from Unsafe Industrial and Commercial Facilities"

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following:

**'An Act to Ensure Accurate Records  
of Worker Training'**

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

'26 MRSA §1709, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 823, §2, is amended to read:

This chapter is intended to address comprehensively the issue of evaluating and communicating chemical hazards to employees in the manufacturing and other designated sectors. This chapter is intended to be consistent with the Hazard Communication Rule promulgated by the United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, November 25, 1983, in order to reduce any burden on interstate commerce and to facilitate compliance. It is intended that the requirements of section 1712 for written records of employee training are in addition to requirements under these rules. To the extent that Occupational Safety and Health Administration enforces the federal rule beginning in 1985-86, it is intended that there be no duplication of enforcement. This chapter goes beyond the Occupational Safety and Health Administration standard primarily in 3 ways: Certain parts are effective earlier; additional industries are addressed; and this chapter requires communication with health officials, not just employees.'

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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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6 This amendment clarifies that the State's requirements for  
keeping written records of employee training are in addition to  
any requirements imposed by the Occupational Safety and Health  
8 Administration.

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