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

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Presented by Representative MELENDY of Rockland. Cosponsored by Representative RAND of Portland, Representative SALISBURY of Ellsworth and Representative HOGLUND of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Allow Coastal Towns and Cities to Dump Snow into Intertidal Waters.

(EMERGENCY)

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Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, the snow removal season has begun; and

8 Whereas, finding space for and managing snow dumps severely 8 taxes the resources of many municipalities; and

10 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of 12 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and 14 safety; now, therefore,

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

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2-B. Exemptions; snow dumps. The board may by rule exempt categories of snow dumps from the need to obtain a license under this section when it finds that the exempted activity would not have a significant adverse effect on the quality or classifications of the waters of the State. <u>A municipality may</u> <u>dispose of accumulated snow in estuarine and marine waters.</u>

A, $\S40$ and amended by Pt. B, $\S28$, is further amended to read:

28 30 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

38 MRSA §413, sub-§2-B, as affected by PL 1989, c. 890, Pt.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill allows municipalities to dump snow into coastal waters.