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	L.D. 1083
2 '	(Filing No. H-210)
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6	STATE OF MAINE
8	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 115TH LEGISLATURE
10	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
12	HOUSE AMENDMENT " $ heta$ " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 407,
14	L.D. 1083, Bill, "An Act to Ensure Voter Participation in the Siting of Both Storage and Disposal of Radioactive Waste"
16	Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the
18	title and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:
20	'Amend the bill by striking out everything after the
22	enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:
24	'38 MRSA §1527, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 530, §4,
26	is amended to read:
28	3. Local participation in siting decision. Within 60 days of the final selection by the authority of the a low-level waste
30	disposal facility site, the governing body of the municipality where the facility is to be located, or the Secretary of State in
32	the-sase-of-an-unorganized-township, or a low-level waste storage facility site, each municipality and township located entirely or
34	partially within a 10-mile radius of the proposed site shall hold an election for the purpose of approving the site. The Secretary
36	of State shall hold elections for each unorganized township. Unless 60% or more of the voters casting ballots in the election
38	each township and municipality approve of the authority's site location decision, the authority shall may not locate the
40	facility within the municipality or territory. <u>If the area</u> within the 10-mile radius is entirely within an unpopulated
42	unorganized territory, approval of at least 60% of the voters
44	residing in the nearest populated township or municipality is required.''
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48	STATEMENT OF FACT
	This amendment replaces the committee amendment that
50	required local approval for the siting or continued operation of a low-level radioactive waste storage facility only after January
52	1, 2001. On-site temporary storage of low-level radioactive waste is permitted by state law, subject to appropriate licensing
54	by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, only until the year 2001.

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 407, L.D. 1083

Current law grants local residents the right to vote to approve the selection of a low-level nuclear waste disposal site. This amendment extends that right of voter approval to include storage sites by ensuring that residents of a municipality or township located entirely or partially within a 10-mile radius of a proposed nuclear waste site have the right to vote to approve the selection of the site. If the 10-mile radius around a proposed site is entirely within an unpopulated unorganized territory, the amendment grants the right of local voter approval to those residents of the nearest populated township or municipality.

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