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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Utilities suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative HOLT of Bath.

Cosponsored by Senator KANY of Kennebec, Representative JACQUES of Waterville and Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Require Reporting of Daily Routine Releases of Radioactive
Materials.**

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

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4 Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §4332, sub-§2, ¶¶B and C, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6, are amended to read:

6 B. Unscheduled releases of radioactive materials, as soon
8 as possible, but not more than 24 hours after the discovery
of the release; and

10 C. Breakdowns or malfunctions of any safety--related
12 safety-related equipment that must be reported under the
14 United-States 10 Code of Federal Regulations, Title-10, Part
21, as soon as possible, but not more than 24 hours after
the discovery of the breakdown or malfunction; and

16 Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §4332, sub-§2, ¶D is enacted to read:

18 D. Routine or continuous emissions of radioactive materials
20 for every 24-hour period, within the next 24-hour period.

22 Sec. 3. 35-A MRSA §4332, sub-§3, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

24 A. The total amount of radioactivity released or planned or
26 estimated to be released. If notice is required pursuant to
28 subsection 2, paragraph A, additional notice must be given
within 24 hours after the release describing the total
amount of radioactivity actually released;

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32 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

34 This bill changes the provisions requiring a nuclear power
36 plant to provide notice of releases of radioactive materials.
38 This bill requires notice of routine or continuous emissions of
40 radioactive materials in every 24-hour period to be made within
the next 24-hour period. The bill also provides that notice of a
scheduled release be followed up by notice describing the actual
release within 24 hours of the release.