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### EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative ANDERSON of Woodland. Cosponsored by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot, Representative LORD of Waterboro and Representative GOULD of Greenville.

STATE OF MAINE

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

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An Act to Promote the Beneficial Use of Industrial Residuals.

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1302, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 585, Pt. E, §2, is amended by inserting before the last paragraph a new paragraph to read:

Because environmentally suitable sites for waste disposalare in limited supply and because many industrial residuals are<br/>currently being unnecessarily disposed of in landfills, the10Legislature finds and declares that the beneficial use of<br/>industrial residuals must be encouraged. Using waste for another12purpose lengthens the lives of secure landfills, which are a<br/>critical natural resource and is consistent with the State's14solid waste management priorities.

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Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §1303-C, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

 18 <u>2-A. Beneficial use of industrial residuals.</u> "Beneficial use of industrial residuals" means the controlled combustion of industrial residuals by the generators of the residuals or the sale or distribution of those residuals other than for incineration.

Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §1303-C, sub-§16-A is enacted to read:

 26 <u>16-A. Industrial residuals.</u> "Industrial residuals" means nonhazardous industrial process wastes, including pulp and paper
28 mill wastewater treatment plant sludges, lime and bark.

Sec. 4. 38 MRSA §1303-C, sub-§§21 and 22, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 585, Pt. E, §4, are amended to read:

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**21. Recycle.** "Recycle" means to recover, separate, collect and reprocess waste materials for sale or reuse other than use as a fuel for the generation of heat, steam or electricity <u>electricity</u>. <u>"Recycle" means to make beneficial use of</u> <u>industrial residuals</u>.

"Recycling" 22. Recycling. means the collection, 40 separation, recovery and sale or reuse of materials that would otherwise be disposed of or processed as waste or the mechanized separation and treatment of waste, other than through combustion, 42 and the creation and recovery of reusable materials other than as a fuel for the generation of electricity. 44 "Recycling" means to make beneficial use of industrial residuals.

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Sec. 5. 38 MRSA §1308, as amended by PL 1973, c. 788, §213, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

#### §1308. Exemptions

 Exempted facilities. Rules adopted pursuant to this
chapter concerning the location, establishment and construction of solid waste disposal facilities, but not concerning alteration
or operation, do not affect facilities in existence prior to October 3, 1973.

2. Stump dumps. Landscape refuse and fill disposal sites 10 established in connection with public works projects and commonly known as "stump dumps" are exempt from this chapter.

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3. Land application. The land application, sale or distribution of industrial residuals, other than pulp and paper mill wastewater treatment plant sludge, is not subject to the department's solid waste management or land application permit requirements.

Sec. 6. 38 MRSA §2101, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 585, 20 Pt. A, §7, is amended to read:

 Priorities. It is the policy of the State to plan for and implement an integrated approach to solid waste management,
which shall <u>must</u> be based on the following order of priority:

- A. Reduction of waste generated at the source, including both amount and toxicity of the waste;
- B. Reuse of waste;

C. Recycling of waste, including the beneficial use of industrial residuals;

34 D. Composting of biodegradable waste;

36 E. Waste processing which <u>that</u> reduces the volume of waste needing land disposal, including incineration; and

F. Land disposal of waste.

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#### STATEMENT OF FACT

44 This bill encourages the beneficial use of industrial residuals by adding the beneficial use of industrial residuals to 46 the laws regarding waste management recycling. It also exempts the land application of certain industrial residuals, with the 48 exception of pulp and paper mill wastewater treatment plant sludges, from the Department of Environmental Protection permit 50 requirements.