

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1992

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Legislative Document

No. 2301

H.P. 1638

House of Representatives, February 6, 1992

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.  
Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative TRACY of Rome.  
Cosponsored by Senator KANY of Kennebec.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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An Act Concerning Septage.

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(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)



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

Whereas, currently, haulers of septage are hauling septage from one town to another without prior approval of the town; and

Whereas, towns need more control over the amount of septage that is hauled within its boundaries; and

Whereas, there is need for immediate action so that the hauling and spreading of septage does not occur in a town without its prior approval; and

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

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1305, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

8. Interlocal septage agreement. A municipality or a private hauler of septage must enter into an interlocal septage agreement with a municipality before that municipality or private hauler is allowed to spread its septage within the boundaries of another municipality.

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

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill gives municipalities greater control over the amount of septage to be spread in the municipality and to have control over potential pollution.