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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 525, L.D. 709, Bill, "An Act to Encourage the Implementation of the Solid Waste Management Hierarchy"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §2125 is enacted to read:

§2125. Evaluation of municipal implementation of solid waste hierarchy

The agency shall adopt, by rule, a system for acknowledging implementation by municipalities of the solid waste management hierarchy set forth in section 2101 and the goals for solid waste management adopted in the waste management and recycling plan. The system must include the following elements.

1. Evaluation. Municipalities shall report annually, except as provided by the agency, on their solid waste management practices. The annual report must include provisions for designating how much of each type of solid waste is generated and how that solid waste is managed. The agency shall assist municipal reporting by developing a municipal waste stream assessment model. The model must rely on actual waste data whenever possible, but incorporate default generation estimates when needed. Default generation estimates must incorporate factors such as commercial activity, geographical differences and municipal population.

2. Progress report. The agency shall use the municipal annual reports and other appropriate information to prepare an

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2 annual report to the Governor and the Legislature on the progress
3 made by municipalities toward implementing the solid waste
4 management hierarchy.

5 **Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §2133, sub-§4, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1989, c.**
6 **585, Pt. A, §7, is repealed.**

8 **FISCAL NOTE**

10 The Maine Waste Management Agency will incur some minor
11 additional costs to adopt certain rules and to submit a required
12 report to the Legislature and to the Governor. These costs can
13 be absorbed within the agency's existing budgeted resources.'

14 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

16 The amendment replaces the bill. It requires the Maine
17 Waste Management Agency to develop a system acknowledging
18 municipalities' implementation of the solid waste management
19 hierarchy.

21 The amendment also adds a fiscal note.

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