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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 955, L.D. 2496, Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Authority of State Environmental and Public Health Officials to Monitor and Regulate Nuclear Power Plant Decommissioning, Site Cleanup and Restoration Activities"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 3.

Further amend the amendment in section 4 in that part designated "~~§1455.~~" in subsection 4 in the 6th line from the end (page 5, line 26 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "wells," the following: 'use of liners,'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 5 (page 5, lines 40 and 41 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 5. 38 MRSA §1482, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. State ownership; exception. Notwithstanding subsection 1, if a low-level radioactive waste disposal facility is developed at the site of a decommissioned nuclear power plant in the course of or as a result of the decommissioning process, the State is not required to own the facility.'

Further amend the amendment in section 6 in the first to 4th lines (page 5, lines 43 to 46 in amendment) by striking out the following: ", including the provision that modifies the definition of "low-level radioactive waste" in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, section 1451, subsection 11,"

Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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## SUMMARY

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This amendment makes the following changes to the committee amendment to the bill:

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1. Removes from the committee amendment the section that would have changed the definition of "low-level radioactive waste";

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2. Clarifies that the Department of Environmental Protection may require use of liners at the site of a decommissioned nuclear power plant to allow the department to assess and ensure compliance with applicable requirements, including the radiation dose standards established by the committee amendment; and

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3. Removes the provision of the committee amendment that would have repealed the requirement that a low-level radioactive waste disposal facility be owned by the State. Under this amendment, the State would not be required to own such a facility if the facility is developed at the site of a decommissioned nuclear power plant in the course of or as a result of the decommissioning process.

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