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H.P. 1001

House of Representatives, March 5, 2001

**An Act to Appropriate Funds for Special Testing at the Norridgewock  
Landfill.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

*Millicent M. MacFarland*

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative TRACY of Rome.

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

4           **Whereas,** the Crossroads Landfill in Norridgewock is a  
6 contentious local issue; and

8           **Whereas,** the Crossroads Landfill currently may be emitting  
methane gas into the environment; and

10           **Whereas,** the emission of methane gas may be a serious health  
12 and safety hazard and may be aggravating the contention  
surrounding the site; and

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

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

22           **Sec. 1. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated  
24 from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

26           **2001-02**

28           **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL**  
30           **SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

32           **Testing of Norridgewock Landfill**

34           All Other \$25,000

36           Provides funds for the  
testing of the Crossroads  
Landfill in Norridgewock for  
38 methane gas and other health  
and safety concerns.

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

44           **SUMMARY**

46           This bill appropriates \$25,000 for testing of methane gas  
48 and other health and safety concerns at the Norridgewock  
Crossroads Landfill.