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H.P. 1029

House of Representatives, March 24, 2005

An Act To Amend the Law Governing Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Regulation of Oil Storage Facilities

Reported by Representative KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor for the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources pursuant to Public Law 2001, chapter 605, section 5.

Reference to the Committee on Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed under Joint Rule 218.

Millicent M. Macfarland
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §570-K, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2003, c. 245, §19, is further amended to read:

Spill prevention and control. An aboveground oil storage facility used in the marketing and distribution of oil to others must be operated in compliance with the federal requirements for the preparation and implementation of spill prevention control and countermeasure plans under 40 Code of Federal Regulations, 112 in effect on April 17, 2003. Failure to comply with those federal requirements in accordance with the deadlines set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency constitutes a violation of this Title. If the department believes that a facility's plan does not satisfy those federal requirements, the department shall request an opinion from the United States Environmental Protection Agency as to the legal adequacy of the plan and any amendment necessary to bring the facility into compliance with those federal requirements. department shall prepare educational and technical materials for use by facilities affected by this subsection. This-subsection-is repealed-October-1,-2005.

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#### **SUMMARY**

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This bill eliminates the repeal date in the law that authorizes the Department of Environmental Protection to enforce federal spill prevention and control regulations at certain aboveground oil storage facilities.