

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 706

House of Representatives, March 9, 2023

**An Act Regarding Calibration Requirements for Certain Testing  
and Measurement Equipment**

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Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §2356** is enacted to read:

3 **§2356. Calibration requirements for testing and measurement equipment**

4 This section provides requirements for the calibration of certain testing and  
5 measurement equipment.

6 **1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the  
7 following terms have the following meanings.

8 A. “Accredited laboratory” means a laboratory that is accredited pursuant to standard  
9 ISO/IEC 17025 of the International Organization for Standardization by a 3rd-party  
10 accrediting body.

11 B. “NIST testing and measurement equipment” means any testing or measurement  
12 equipment that is subject to the requirements of this chapter and requires calibration to  
13 meet applicable standards published by the National Institute of Standards and  
14 Technology.

15 C. “Publicly owned treatment works” has the same meaning as in Title 38, section  
16 361-A, subsection 3-D.

17 **2. Calibration required by accredited laboratory.** Notwithstanding any other  
18 provision of this chapter to the contrary, an agency or department of the State, a municipal  
19 or quasi-municipal water utility and a publicly owned treatment works shall ensure that any  
20 NIST testing and measurement equipment used by the agency, department, water utility or  
21 treatment works is calibrated by an accredited laboratory.

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This bill amends the Maine Weights and Measures Law to require an agency or  
24 department of the State, a municipal or quasi-municipal water utility and a publicly owned  
25 treatment works to ensure that certain testing and measurement equipment used by the  
26 agency, department, water utility or treatment works is calibrated by an accredited  
27 laboratory. The testing and measurement equipment subject to this calibration requirement  
28 includes any testing or measurement equipment that is subject to the requirements of the  
29 Maine Weights and Measures Law and requires calibration to meet applicable standards  
30 published by the National Institute of Standards and Technology.