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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
131ST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H P 744, L D 1172, "An Act to Reestablish Annual Reporting on Solid Waste in Maine"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following

'Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §2124-A, as amended by PL 2019, c. 291, Pt B, §3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place'

**§2124-A. Solid waste generation and disposal capacity report**

On or before January 15, 2026 and annually thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters setting forth information on statewide generation of solid waste, statewide recycling rates and available disposal capacity for solid waste as provided in subsection 1.

1. Content of report. A report submitted pursuant to this section must include, but is not limited to

A Information on the total amount and disposition of municipal solid waste and construction and demolition debris generated in the State, including information on the total amount and disposition of any such waste exported from the State;

B Information on the total amount and disposition of municipal solid waste and construction and demolition debris generated outside the State and imported into the State,

C Information on the total amount of municipal solid waste and construction and demolition debris diverted from disposal,

D Information on the total amount of municipal solid waste and construction and demolition debris disposed of at each waste disposal facility in the State,

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1 E. A summary of the volume of licensed capacity at each waste disposal facility in the  
2 State that is authorized and, of that authorized volume, the amount of licensed capacity  
3 that is in use and the amount not in use, and

4 F. Any recommendations for necessary legislative or regulatory changes regarding the  
5 management of solid waste in the State

6 2. Authority for legislation. After reviewing the report submitted by the department  
7 pursuant to this section, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction  
8 over environment and natural resources matters may report out legislation related to the  
9 report

10 **Sec. 2. Department of Environmental Protection; modernization of waste**  
11 **data collection, consolidation and reporting.** The Department of Environmental  
12 Protection shall take all actions necessary to modernize, streamline and improve the  
13 efficiency of the data collection, consolidation and reporting systems, procedures and  
14 processes it uses or intends to use to satisfy the reporting requirement of the Maine Revised  
15 Statutes, Title 38, section 2124-A. In taking such actions, the department may as necessary  
16 consult, coordinate and contract with the Department of Administrative and Financial  
17 Services, Office of Information Technology; InforME, as established in Title 1, section  
18 533, and any other entities '.

19 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section  
20 number to read consecutively.

21 **SUMMARY**

22 This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. Like  
23 the bill, it requires the Department of Environmental Protection to annually instead of  
24 biennially report to the Legislature information on statewide generation of solid waste,  
25 statewide recycling rates and available disposal capacity for solid waste except that the  
26 amendment requires the annual report to begin in 2026 instead of 2024. It also clarifies the  
27 categories of information required to be included in the report. The amendment also  
28 requires the Department of Environmental Protection to take all actions necessary to  
29 modernize, streamline and improve the efficiency of the data collection, consolidation and  
30 reporting systems, procedures and processes it uses or intends to use to satisfy that reporting  
31 requirement.

32 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

33 (See attached)



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LD 1172

LR 1996(02)

An Act to Reestablish Annual Reporting on Solid Waste in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A' (H-199)

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Environmental Protection to implement the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources