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## CHAPTER 362

H.P. 1051 - L.D. 1527

### AN ACT Concerning Extension of the Permit Processing Period for Hydropower Projects.

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §635-A, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 779, §4, is amended to read:

#### §635-A. Time limits for processing applications

Whenever the board receives a properly completed application, the board shall make a decision as expeditiously as possible. When the proposed project lies within the jurisdiction of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Board of Environmental Protection shall make a decision in accordance with section 344, except that, following one extension of up to 45 working days, the commissioner may waive the requirements of section 344, only at the request of the applicant.

When the proposed project lies within the jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, decisions shall be made within 105 working days except that decisions delegated to the director shall be made within 60 working days. The following one extension of up to 45 working days, the director may waive the time limit requirements of this section only at the request of the applicant.

Sec. 2. Application. Extension of the time limits for processing applications which have been properly filed with the board or the commission before the effective date of this Act shall be governed by the law in effect at the time the applications were filed.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 363

H.P. 1097 - L.D. 1590

### AN ACT to Protect the Voting Rights of Township Residents.