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D. This chapter may not be construed to impose a duty on a code enforcement or other inspection officer of the State or a political subdivision of the State to inspect any certified manufactured housing for compliance with this chapter or any building code or rule adopted by the board. Unless a certificate of occupancy has been issued pursuant to the provisions of section 9043, subsection 2, paragraph A, a certificate of occupancy for certified manufactured housing does not constitute a representation by the State or a political subdivision of the State that the manufactured housing meets the standards established under this chapter.

6. Review of denial; issuance of certificate of occupancy. Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 25, chapter 313, if a certificate of occupancy for certified manufactured housing is denied on account of any alleged failure of the manufactured housing to comply with this chapter or any building code or rule adopted by the board or any law, rule, regulation or ordinance from which the manufactured housing is exempt under this chapter, the applicant for the certificate of occupancy may petition the board to review the denial.

The board shall issue a certificate of occupancy for the manufactured housing if, after appropriate notice and administrative hearing in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter IV, the board determines that:

A. The manufactured housing has been certified pursuant to the rules adopted by the board;

B. The certificate of occupancy was not denied pursuant to subsection 5, paragraph A; and

C. The notice of denial issued under subsection 5, paragraph B does not specify any violation of applicable law, rule, regulation or ordinance from which the manufactured housing is not exempted under this chapter.

A certificate of occupancy issued under this subsection has the same validity, force and effect as if issued by the State or a political subdivision of the State in which the manufactured housing is located.

Sec. 5. 25 MRSA §2357, as amended by PL 1989, c. 502, Pt. A, §101, is further amended to read:

§2357. No occupancy without certificate; appeal

No Subject to the provisions of Title 10, chapter 951, a new building may not be occupied until the inspector of buildings has given a certificate that the same has been built in accordance with section 2353, and so as to be safe from fire. If the owner permits it to be so occupied without such certificate, the owner shall must be penalized in accordance with Title 30-A, section 4452. In case the inspector of buildings for any cause declines to give that certificate and the builder has in the builder's own judgment complied with section 2353, an appeal may be taken to the municipal officers and, if on such appeal it shall be is decided by them that said the section has been complied with, the owner of said the building shall is not be liable to a fine for want of the certificate of the inspector.

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

Effective April 14, 2000.

CHAPTER 726

S.P. 1052 - L.D. 2642

An Act to Require Nutrient Management Plans for Fish Hatcheries Except for Aquaculture

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §4214 is enacted to read:

<u>§4214. Nutrient management plans for fish</u> <u>hatcheries</u>

1. Nutrient management plan required for fish hatcheries. A person who owns or operates a fish hatchery, not including an off-shore marine aquaculture operation in estuarine or marine waters, must have and implement a nutrient management plan for the fish waste from the hatchery by the date specified in rules adopted pursuant to subsection 2. The commissioner shall maintain a list of fish hatcheries that have a nutrient management plan.

2. Rules for fish hatcheries. In accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, the commissioner shall adopt rules to establish requirements for nutrient management plans for fish hatcheries, compliance schedules for fish hatcheries, a process for review of the nutrient management plans, periodic revisions of plans and determination of compliance with the plans. A nutrient management plan for a fish hatchery must address storage, management and use of fish waste from the hatchery with the goal of improving water quality.

Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

See title page for effective date.