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which the disposal facility was sited and developed and is currently operated to meet the capacity needs of municipalities within a specific geographic region. The department shall approve the transfer of license when, in addition to all other requirements of this Title, the applicant has demonstrated that:

A. The facility will continue to be operated to meet the municipal disposal capacity needs for which the facility was sited and developed and for which it is currently operated;

B. The applicant has made substantially equivalent, alternative provisions to satisfy these disposal capacity needs; or

C. These disposal capacity needs no longer exist.

Sec. 4. Legislative findings. Maine's municipalities have the obligation to provide for the disposal of the solid waste generated by their citizens and businesses. Public waste disposal corporations and refuse disposal districts are formed by municipalities to provide for the disposal of the solid waste generated within the geographical boundaries of the participating municipalities. Municipal and public regional landfills, however, are becoming increasingly limited in capacity and expensive to Maine's people. The creation of new municipal and public regional landfills is often prohibitively expensive. The Legislature, in exercising its powers over municipalities, public waste disposal corporations and refuse disposal districts as instrumentalities and creations of the State, seeks to maximize the use of these landfills for the benefit of the people of the State and to prevent their potential diversion to uses by others. This law will ensure that municipal and public regional landfills are used for these public purposes.

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CHAPTER 613

H.P. 1262 - L.D. 1822

An Act To Require the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices To Produce a Register of All Registered Lobbyists

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

Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §315-A is enacted to read:

§315-A. Registration docket; disclosure website

<u>1. Registration.</u> The commission shall prepare and maintain a docket for the registration of lobbyists

and employers of lobbyists required to register pursuant to this chapter. The registration docket and all supplementary files of information and materials filed pursuant to this chapter must be open to public inspection during the office hours of the commission. The docket must contain the name of the lobbyist and the person employing the lobbyist, the business address of each, the nature of the business of the person employing the lobbyist and a statement as to the compensation that the lobbyist will receive for lobbying services or, if an exact amount is not ascertainable, the basis upon which the lobbyist will charge for services. This docket must be updated on a monthly basis and arranged and indexed as follows:

A. An alphabetical listing of those persons who have employed a lobbyist, which listing must indicate the names of all lobbyists employed by the employer; and

B. An alphabetical listing of those persons employed as lobbyists, which listing must indicate the names of all persons by whom each lobbyist is employed.

The docket must be reestablished annually by the commission and the docket for any year must be maintained and be available for public inspection in the office of the commission for 4 years from the expiration of the docket.

2. Disclosure website. The commission shall develop and maintain a publicly accessible website that displays:

A. A list of all persons who have employed a lobbyist during the current year;

B. A list of all lobbyists and lobbyist associates registered for the year;

C. A profile of each registered lobbyist and lobbyist associate, including contact information, the name of the lobbyist's employer or employers and, if provided by the lobbyist or lobbyist associate, a photograph of the lobbyist or lobbyist associate;

D. A profile of each person employing a lobbyist, including contact information for the employer, and a list of lobbyists and lobbyist associates engaged by the employer; and

E. For each employer, a list of all legislative actions that have been the subject of lobbying for the year, including hyperlinks to the summary page of the Legislature's publicly accessible website for each legislative document listed.

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