

# LAWS

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Whereas, good progress has been made by the Department of Environmental Protection toward establishing freshwater criteria; however, little progress has been made toward establishing nutrient criteria for marine waters; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Nutrient criteria planning process established. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection, referred to in this resolve as "the department," shall initiate the development of water quality criteria for nutrients in state coastal waters by developing:

1. A conceptual plan to establish appropriate nutrient criteria for all coastal areas of the State;

2. A work plan and timeline leading to approved nutrient criteria for coastal waters;

3. A report on available technological approaches to nutrient reduction of wastewater, including projected costs on a per unit basis; and

4. An inventory of significant point and nonpoint sources of nutrients to the waters of Casco Bay; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Consultation. Resolved:** That, in order to identify a reasonable plan for establishing appropriate nutrient criteria, in developing the information and material under section 1, the department shall initiate a series of discussions with wastewater treatment facilities and interested organizations to solicit input and gather information. The department shall request some affected entities to suggest work plans and timelines for complying with nutrient criteria; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Casco Bay priorities. Resolved:** That the department shall initially focus on the waters of Casco Bay due to its:

1. Being the receiving water for the most populated watershed in the State;

2. Bordering one of the most residentially and industrially developed regions in the State;

3. Facing the effects of future development;

4. High concentrations of nutrients; and

5. Comprehensive set of available nutrient data; and be it further

Sec. 4. Legislation authorized. Resolved: That the department shall report its findings and submit the material developed pursuant to section 1 and any necessary legislation to implement its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources no later than January 31, 2008. The Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources is authorized to submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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## CHAPTER 50

## S.P. 443 - L.D. 1280

#### Resolve, Regarding the Training Curriculum and Skills of Certified Nursing Assistants

Sec. 1. Review of training curriculum and skills of certified nursing assistants. Resolved: That the State Board of Nursing shall review the training curriculum and skills for certified nursing assistants. In reviewing the curriculum and skills the board shall invite the participation of stakeholders and interested parties. The review must include the care of feeding tubes and cough-assist and suctioning devices. The board shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2008 on the results of the review and any recommended training curriculum and skills changes.

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#### CHAPTER 51

#### H.P. 956 - L.D. 1347

### Resolve, Regarding Alternative Fuel Incentives To Stimulate the Production, Distribution and Use of Biofuels

Sec. 1. Study of policy options for alternative fuel incentives. Resolved: That the Executive Department, Office of Energy Independence and Security shall study and make policy recommendations regarding the establishment of an alternative fuel incentive program to stimulate the production, distribution and use of biofuels in the State. The study must address, but is not limited to:

1. A review of alternative fuel incentive laws and programs at the federal level and in other states including, but not limited to, the state of Pennsylvania;

2. Policy options for the form and type of incentives, including, but not limited to, grants for expenses relative to retrofitting vehicles to operate on alternative fuels; grants for incremental costs of purchasing alternative fuel vehicles; grants for the purchase of refueling equipment; grants for research and development of new applications of alternative fuel vehicles; rebates for residents who purchase alternative fuel