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IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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

Effective March 27, 2008.

CHAPTER 170

S.P. 758 - L.D. 1964

Resolve, To Require Rulemaking Concerning Landfill Gas and Odor Management

Sec. 1. Landfill gas and odor management rules. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection, Board of Environmental Protection shall adopt rules concerning landfill gas and odor management that incorporate quantitative standards that can be used to measure compliance. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. By January 15, 2009, the Department of Environmental Protection shall submit a report on the status of the rules to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resources matters.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 171

H.P. 1411 - L.D. 2027

Resolve, To Examine the Information, Training and Support Services Provided to Parents of Children with Disabilities

Sec. 1. Work group review of resources available to families of children with disabilities. Resolved: That the Maine Developmental Disabilities Council, established by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 66 and referred to in this resolve as "the council," shall convene a work group to examine the information, training and support services that are available to the families of children with disabilities regarding special education programs and special education services. The work group shall:

1. Review existing information, training and support services available to families of children with disabilities, including the extent to which ombudsman services would be beneficial to the parents of children with disabilities;

2. Identify gaps and other limitations in existing resources that limit the capacity to address families' needs for information, training and support services to effectively participate in programming for their children;

3. Identify potential additional resources needed to address gaps and limitations in existing resources;

4. Consider input gathered from the families of children with disabilities across the State; and

5. Develop recommendations for changes in current law, rules or policies; and be it further

Sec. 2. Work group membership. Resolved: That the work group convened pursuant to section 1 consists of members appointed by the executive committee of the council to represent the following organizations:

1. Maine Parent Federation, Inc.;
2. Maine Administrators of Services for Children with Disabilities;
3. Maine Education Association;
4. Maine Principals' Association;
5. Disability Rights Center;
6. KIDS Legal, a statewide project of Pine Tree Legal Assistance;
7. Maine Developmental Disabilities Council;
8. Learning Disabilities Association of Maine;
9. Autism Society of Maine;
10. The Maine Transition Network that implements the transition service coordination as set forth in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 308;
11. Maine Children's Alliance;
12. Department of Education; and
13. Other organizations as determined by the executive committee of the council; and be it further

Sec. 3. Convening of work group; staffing assistance; funding. Resolved: That the council shall provide the necessary resources to organize and support the work of the work group convened pursuant to section 1, including convening and providing any necessary staffing services for the work group; and be it further

Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That the council shall submit a report that includes a summary of input gathered from families across the State regarding the information, training and support services available to them and the findings of the work group convened pursuant to section 1, recommendations and any suggested legislation to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters no later than January 31, 2009. Upon receipt of