

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2013**

for erosion and sedimentation control are used; and

C. Municipal, state and federal employees engaged in projects associated with that employment.

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

Effective June 12, 2013.

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**CHAPTER 243  
S.P. 243 - L.D. 694**

**An Act To Clarify Solid Waste Policy Relating to State-owned Disposal Facilities**

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1310-N, sub-§1, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 414, §2, is further amended to read:

B. In the case of a disposal facility, the facility provides a substantial public benefit, determined in accordance with subsection 3-A, ~~except that this paragraph does not apply to a facility owned by the State and in operation prior to June 1, 2007 or to an expansion of that facility;~~ and

**Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §1310-AA, sub-§1-B** is enacted to read:

**1-B. State-owned solid waste disposal facilities.** This subsection applies to public benefit determinations for solid waste disposal facilities owned by the State.

A. The department may not process or act upon any application for a new, modified or amended solid waste license for a solid waste disposal facility acquired by the State after January 1, 2007, including an application to expand, until the facility has applied for and received a public benefit determination.

B. A solid waste disposal facility owned by the State before January 1, 2007 is deemed to hold a public benefit determination for the licensed disposal capacity at the facility on the effective date of this subsection. The department may require the holder of a public benefit determination under this paragraph to submit an application for a modified public benefit determination if the department finds that a material change in the underlying facts or circumstances has occurred or is proposed, including, but not limited to, a change in the disposal capacity or a change of the owner

or operator of the facility. The department may not process or act upon any application to expand a solid waste disposal facility owned by the State before January 1, 2007 until the facility has applied for and received a public benefit determination.

**Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §1310-AA, sub-§6,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 348, §2 and affected by §3, is repealed.

**Sec. 4. Application.** The provisions of this Act do not apply to an application for a license pending on the effective date of this Act.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 244  
H.P. 594 - L.D. 843**

**An Act To Promote the Financial Literacy of High School Students**

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4722, sub-§2, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2011, c. 294, §1, is further amended to read:

B. Social studies and history, including American history, government ~~and civics--2,~~ civics and personal finance--2 years;

**Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §6209, sub-§4,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 259, §5, is further amended to read:

**4. Review cycle.** The commissioner shall conduct a review of the content standards and performance indicators by content area on a 5-year cycle beginning in the 2015-2016 school year. The review of the content standards and performance indicators for the content area of social studies, including student achievement of proficiency in personal finance, must be included in the commissioner's review during the 2015-2016 school year. Any changes that are recommended must be approved through the same process used for establishment of the system of learning results.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 245  
S.P. 114 - L.D. 281**

**An Act To Reform Maine's Whitewater Rafting Laws**