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CHAPTER 43
H.P. 116 - L.D. 141

**Resolve, Directing the
Department of Environmental
Protection To Develop
Quantitative Odor
Management Standards**

Sec. 1. Septage and wastewater treatment sludge processing; odor management rules. Resolved: That, by March 15, 2014, the Department of Environmental Protection shall adopt rules concerning facilities that process wastewater treatment sludge from publicly owned treatment works and facilities that process septage that incorporate quantitative odor management standards. 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 March 30, 2014, the department shall submit a summary of the rules to the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 44
H.P. 625 - L.D. 902

**Resolve, Regarding Legislative
Review of Portions of Chapter
882: Designation of Bisphenol
A as a Priority Chemical and
Regulation of Bisphenol A in
Children's Products, a Major
Substantive Rule of the
Department of Environmental
Protection**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and

Whereas, the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature for review; and

Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following

legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved: That final adoption of portions of Chapter 882: Designation of Bisphenol A as a Priority Chemical and Regulation of Bisphenol A in Children's Products, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Environmental Protection that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized.

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

Effective June 4, 2013.

CHAPTER 45
H.P. 106 - L.D. 131

**Resolve, Directing the Public
Utilities Commission To
Examine Measures To Mitigate
the Effects of Geomagnetic
Disturbances and
Electromagnetic Pulse on the
State's Transmission System**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation has identified 2013 as a peak year of solar activity that could result in a geomagnetic disturbance; and

Whereas, the impact of a significant geomagnetic disturbance or electromagnetic pulse on the reliability of Maine's electric grid is unknown; and

Whereas, the Public Utilities Commission may be able to identify measures to protect Maine's electric grid through a focused examination; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Examination of vulnerabilities and mitigation. Resolved: That the Public Utilities Commission shall examine the vulnerabilities of the State's transmission infrastructure to the potential negative impacts of a geomagnetic disturbance or elec-