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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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

**CHAPTER 63**  
**H.P. 26 - L.D. 33**

**Resolve, Regarding Pesticide  
Applications and Public  
Notification in Schools**

**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 Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control has submitted a major substantive rule regarding a portion of Chapter 27: Standards for Pesticide Applications and Public Notification in Schools to the Legislature for review; and

**Whereas**, appropriately designed and constructed school grounds, particularly athletic playing fields, are integral to minimizing the use of synthetic pesticides on school grounds; 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 27: Standards for Pesticide Applications and Public Notification in Schools, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Landscaping design. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Education shall collaborate with the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control to develop standards and guidelines related to school grounds construction that would minimize or avoid the necessity of the use of pesticides on school grounds for new construction. The Commissioner of Education and the director of the Board of Pesticides Control shall report on their recommendations for school ground construction standards and guidelines to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and the

Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by March 15, 2014.

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

Effective June 22, 2013.

**CHAPTER 64**  
**S.P. 541 - L.D. 1467**

**Resolve, To Establish  
Demonstration Projects To  
Promote Economic  
Development in the Forest  
Products Industry**

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

**Whereas**, rural communities in the State are particularly dependent upon forest products industries for employment opportunities and economic development; and

**Whereas**, an increase in allowed gross vehicle weight over short distances can be tolerated by Maine's roads and bridges; and

**Whereas**, the proposed demonstration projects in this resolve would be a desirable catalyst for improved intermodal freight connectivity and economic development in a region of the State where employment opportunities and economic development are desperately needed; and

**Whereas**, it is important to get these demonstration projects under way as soon as practicable given the need for economic development in rural communities in the State; 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. Demonstration projects. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29-A, chapter 21, the Commissioner of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and the Secretary of State, may establish demonstration projects under the conditions set forth in this resolve that allow certain commercial vehicles to travel over certain routes in Aroostook County to carry logs and wood biomass at gross vehicle weights up to 200,000 pounds as determined by the Commissioner of Transportation.