

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

SENATE

THOMAS B. SAVIELLO, DISTRICT 18, CHAIR  
ROGER L. SHERMAN, DISTRICT 34  
SETH A. GOODALL, DISTRICT 19

SUSAN Z. JOHANNESMAN, LEGISLATIVE ANALYST  
KATIE DESFOSSÉS, COMMITTEE CLERK



HOUSE

JAMES M. HAMPER, OXFORD, CHAIR  
BERNARD L. A. AYOTTE, CASWELL  
JANE S. KNAPP, GORHAM  
JOAN M. NASS, ACTON  
RICKY D. LONG, SHERMAN  
JAMES W. PARKER, VEAZIE  
ROBERT S. DUCHESNE, HUDSON  
MELISSA WALSH INNES, YARMOUTH  
JOAN W. WELSH, ROCKPORT  
DENISE PATRICIA HARLOW, PORTLAND

STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

January 26, 2012.

The Honorable Kevin L. Raye  
President of the Senate  
The Honorable Robert W. Nutting  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
125th Legislature  
State House  
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Title 3 Maine Revised Statutes, chapter 35, we are pleased to submit the findings of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources from the review and evaluation of the Board of Underground Storage Tank Installers under the State Government Evaluation Act. In its review, the Committee found that the Board of Underground Storage Tank Installers is operating within its statutory authority.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Senator Thomas B. Saviello.

Senator Thomas B. Saviello  
Senate Chair

Handwritten signature of Representative James M. Hamper.

Representative James M. Hamper  
House Chair

cc: Bill Carver, Chair, Board of Underground Storage Tank Installers  
Marion Hylan Barr, Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
125th Legislature**

**Findings from the Review of  
the Board of Underground Storage Tank Installers  
Pursuant to the Government Evaluation Act**

**The Government Evaluation Act**

The Government Evaluation Act (“Act”) provides for a system of periodic review of the efficacy and performance of state government agencies. The keystone to the Act is the agency program evaluation report, which consists of a number of components required by the statute.

**Review Process**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources notified the Board of Underground Storage Tank Installers of its intent to review the Board. The Board submitted its Program Evaluation Report and the Committee held a worksession on the report on January 4, 2012.

**Findings of Review**

The Board's statutory mandate is to safeguard the public health, safety and welfare; protect the public from incompetent and unauthorized persons; ensure the highest degree of professional conduct on the part of installers, removers and inspectors; and ensure availability of services (Title 32 MRSA §10001). In its review, the Committee found that the Board of Underground Storage Tank Installers is operating within its statutory authority.

The Committee recognizes the concerns identified by the Board regarding the difficulty of maintaining and developing an adequate supply of trained individuals to meet the demand for installation and inspection services, as well as the anticipated demand for trained individuals to replace the current population of facilities which will all require replacement in a few years.

The Committee commends the Board and its staff for its commitment to providing this necessary service.