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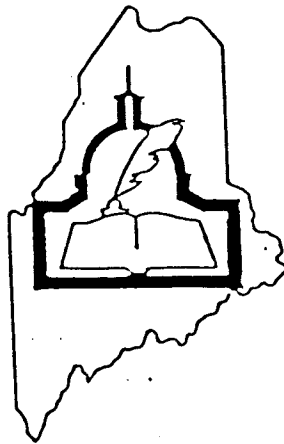
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STATE OF MAINE  
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ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
BILL SUMMARY



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LD  
2463

TITLE  
AN ACT TO REDUCE MINIMUM FEES  
AND PROVIDE FOR IMPLEMENTA-  
TION OF THE CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE  
IDENTIFICATION LAW

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(COMMITTEE REPORT)  
DISPOSITION  
PL 1983, c. 823

SUMMARY: This new draft, majority report A of LD 1977 addresses some problems with the implementation of the 1983 amendments. Fees are reduced to \$10, and employers with no hazardous chemicals, with 3 or fewer employees, or which are government organizations are exempt from fees. Several exemptions are added including agriculture, consumer products, common substances, gasoline and fuel oil. The draft conforms most definitions to the new federal OSHA regulations, although the coverage remains broader than OSHA. The effective dates are adjusted to phase in various parts of the program between now and 1986. Confidentiality provisions protect trade secrets, but information must be disclosed to health professionals and the Bureau of Health. The Bureau will inform the public when necessary. Fees are placed in a Chemical Information and Training Assistance Fund for use by the Bureau of Labor Standards for those purposes.