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BILL SUMMARY



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BILL SUMMARIES
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD: 1399 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT OPEN BURNING AT ALL
MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITES
ND of 438

MITCHELL
USHER
HOGLUND

HOUSE Enacted
SENATE Enacted
GOV SIGNED

PUBLIC
CH # 188

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SUMMARY:

This is a new draft of LD 438. Existing State law allows the open burning of solid waste at municipal dumps serving less than 1,000 people, unless the BEP finds that such burning is actually causing violations of air quality standards. Open burning is a violation of federal regulations. The original bill would have prohibited open burning at those dumps still doing so after July 1, 1986.

The new draft allows more time for municipalities to stop open burning. They must submit a plan acceptable to the BEP for alternative solid waste disposal by July 1, 1986; the plan must be implemented by January 1, 1989.

LD: 1405 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ADEQUATE FUNDING OF
EMERGENCY THE CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION LAW
ND of 1064

GAUVREAU
HALE
JACQUES
USHER

HOUSE Emerg. Enacted
SENATE Emerg. Enacted
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PUBLIC
CH # 170

SUMMARY:

The bill established a fee schedule for businesses required to register under the "Chem ID Law". The schedule was based on number of employees. The schedule in this new draft of LD 1064 was less expensive for small businesses and more expensive for large firms. The overall revenues raised by the bill were comparable to those of the original bill.