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## **JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

### **LD 8 An Act To Support Collection and Proper Disposal of Unwanted Drugs**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 94 requires certain drug manufacturers to establish and operate a drug take-back stewardship program or programs in the State to collect and dispose of certain unwanted drugs. Such a program must be designed to provide free, convenient and ongoing collection opportunities to all persons seeking to dispose of such unwanted drugs, which must be geographically distributed in a way to ensure access in rural and underserved areas and which may include the use of mail-back envelopes, collection receptacles or other collection methods approved by the Department of Environmental Protection.

### **LD 57 An Act To Reduce the Landfilling of Municipal Solid Waste**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 230 repeals the existing \$2 per ton municipal solid waste surcharge statute in the laws governing solid waste management and amends the State's waste handling fee statute to impose a \$1 per ton disposal fee on all municipal solid waste disposed of at a commercial, municipal, state-owned or regional association landfill.

### **LD 67 An Act To Assist in the Restoration of Atlantic Salmon**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 50 eliminates restrictions for the total number of discharge licenses allowed to be issued for Class AA and Class A waters. It retains the requirement in current law that those discharges assist in the restoration of Atlantic salmon and will return the waters to a state that is closer to historically natural chemical quality. It also removes redundant language regarding the length of a discharge license issued for Class AA and Class A waters as current law already limits the term of a discharge license to five years.

### **LD 69 An Act To Reduce Duplicative Permitting Review for Projects under the Site Location of Development Laws**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 51 increases from seven acres to 10 acres the upper acreage limit of a structure subject to municipal review and exempt from department review and permitting under the site location of development laws.