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

2. It provides a limited exemption from liability for publicly owned treatment works based on the contribution by the publicly owned treatment works of effluent or sewage sludge to an uncontrolled hazardous substance site.
3. It provides a limited exemption for public water systems based on the contribution by the public water system of water treatment residuals to an uncontrolled hazardous substance site.

Public Law 2021, chapter 117 also requires that, on or before January 15, 2023, the Department of Environmental Protection report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters regarding the uncontrolled hazardous substance sites where the department has used its authority to require responsible parties to investigate or remove hazardous substances that are pollutants or contaminants and, for each site, provide information identifying the substance involved.

### **LD 802 An Act To Ensure Decommissioning of Solar Energy Developments**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 151 requires a person to obtain approval of a decommissioning plan from the Department of Environmental Protection or, in the case of a solar energy development located in the unorganized and deorganized areas, from the Maine Land Use Planning Commission before constructing or operating a solar energy development with ground-mounted solar panels occupying three or more acres.

### **LD 872 An Act Concerning Motor Vehicle Emissions Control System Tampering**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2021, chapter 119 prohibits a person from tampering with the emission control system of a motor vehicle and also prohibits the sale, lease or rental or transfer of title or right of possession of a motor vehicle by a dealer if a person has tampered with the vehicle's emission control system.

### **LD 909 An Act Regarding the Depth of Phillips Lake in the Town of Dedham**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Private and Special Law 2021, chapter 7 authorizes the Lucerne-in-Maine Village Corporation to adopt a water level ordinance pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter 187, subchapter 6 to regulate water level regimes and minimum flow requirements for Phillips Lake in the Town of Dedham. It also authorizes the Lucerne-in-Maine Village Corporation to enter into an interlocal agreement with the Town of Dedham to regulate water level regimes and minimum flow requirements for Phillips Lake.