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The law directs the departments to submit an interim report, on or before March 1, 2022, to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and provides that the joint standing committee may submit a bill to the 130th Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report. The law also directs the departments to submit a final report, on or before September 1, 2022, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agricultural, conservation and forestry matters and provides that the joint standing committee may submit a bill to the 131st Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report.

LD 1159 An Act To Amend the Membership Requirements of the Board of Pesticides Control

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 179 amends the membership requirements of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control. The law provides that the member of the Board of Pesticides Control who is a scientist from the University of Maine having practical experience and expertise in integrated pest management must specialize in agronomy, entomology or plant pathology. The law provides that the two members appointed to represent the public must have a demonstrated interest in environmental protection. The law further specifies that a member of the board appointed to represent the public may not have a financial interest in activities regulated by the board and may not be an individual who has been or is currently licensed, certified or given a permit in this or any other state for activities regulated by the board.

LD 1407 Resolve, Regarding Authority of Municipalities To Regulate Timber Harvesting

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 70 requires the Director of the Maine Forest Service within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to convene a stakeholder group to review and assess the law and corresponding process relating to a municipal proposal to adopt or amend a timber harvesting ordinance. The law requires the director to report the findings and recommendations of the stakeholder group to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and authorizes the joint standing committee to submit a bill relating to the subject matter of the report to the 130th Legislature.

LD 1560 Resolve, Authorizing the State To Convey to the Passamaquoddy Tribe the State's Interest in a Certain Parcel of Land in the Town of Meddybemps

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 31 authorizes the State to convey to the Passamaquoddy Tribe a certain parcel of land located on the northern side of State Route 191 in Meddybemps, Washington

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