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container" under that law includes service ware used to contain, transport or otherwise package raw, uncooked or butchered meat, poultry, fish, seafood or eggs.

2. It clarifies the definition of "service ware" as defined in that law.
3. It repeals, effective July 1, 2025, the current exemption under the law for a covered establishment to sell at retail food or beverages in or on a polystyrene foam disposable food service container that the covered establishment purchases prepackaged at wholesale.

Public Law 2021, chapter 208 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 15, 2021.

LD 1635 An Act To Make Minor Changes and Corrections to Statutes Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 186 makes minor changes and corrections to certain laws administered by the Department of Environmental Protection relating to hazardous material response vehicles; underground oil storage tank installer and inspector certification; the Maine Environmental Protection Fund; waste management fees; the Natural Resources Protection Act; waste oil; recycled paper bags and reusable plastic bags; and beverage containers.

LD 1662 An Act Regarding Maine's Sales Prohibition on Upholstered Furniture Treated with Flame retardant Chemicals

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 221 amends State law restricting the sale of residential upholstered furniture treated with flame-retardant chemicals as follows.

1. It provides that the restrictions under that law do not apply to any electronic components and associated electronic component casings of upholstered furniture.
2. It includes a retailer indemnification provision entitling a retailer in the State to a full refund from the manufacturer of the upholstered furniture for any upholstered furniture delivered to the retailer by the manufacturer that is subsequently determined to contain flame-retardant chemicals such that it is prohibited from sale or distribution in the State under that law.