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House of Representatives, February 12, 2015

An Act To Amend the Site Location of Development Laws

Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

Robert B. Hunt
ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5 This bill proposes to amend the site location of development laws, the Maine Revised
6 Statutes, Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter 1, article 6, to provide that any surface water
7 generated by an expansion project and any new or existing system through which that
8 water flows must comply with the surface water regulatory standards in effect at the time
9 the expansion application is filed if:

10 1. A development is being expanded and the existing, original development was
11 permitted by a municipality, did not require a permit under the site location of
12 development laws and is being expanded in a manner that triggers the need for a permit;
13 or

14 2. A development is being expanded and an expansion of the development was
15 previously permitted under the site location of development laws.

16 If the criteria are not met and as long as a development complied with the applicable
17 standards at the time the existing, original development was created, the surface water
18 generated by the existing, original development and the systems through which that water
19 flows do not need to comply with the regulatory standards in effect at the time the
20 expansion application is filed.