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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

H.P. 1321 - L.D. 2059

An Act Regarding Processing of Applications Under the Natural Resources Protection Act to Ensure Consistency with Shoreland Zoning Laws

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §480-E, sub-§16 is enacted to read:

16. Consistency with mandatory shoreland zoning laws. The commissioner may return an application for a permit under this article as incomplete for processing pursuant to section 344, subsection 1 if the commissioner finds that there is a reasonable likelihood that the proposed activity would be inconsistent with the minimum guidelines for municipal zoning and land use controls adopted by the board pursuant to section 438-A, subsection 1. If an application is returned pursuant to this subsection, the commissioner may require that a resubmitted application be accompanied by a municipal approval demonstrating that the proposed activity is in compliance with the board's adopted minimum guidelines.