An Act to Streamline Rulemaking for Revisions to Screening Levels for the Solid Waste Beneficial Use Program

Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 204. Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland.
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1304, sub-§1-D is enacted to read:

1-D. Rules; beneficial use of solid waste. Rules adopted or amended pursuant to this section relating to the beneficial use of solid waste are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, except that rules amending screening levels for beneficial use that are derived using the standard risk protocols of the United States Environmental Protection Agency are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

SUMMARY

This bill provides that rules of the Board of Environmental Protection relating to the beneficial use of solid waste are major substantive rules, except for certain rules amending screening levels for beneficial use, which the bill specifies are routine technical rules.