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An Act To Improve the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §569-A, sub-§8, ¶**A,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 157, §1, is further amended to read:

A. Administrative expenses, personal services and equipment costs of the department related to the administration and enforcement of this subchapter, except that total disbursements for personal services may not exceed \$3,700,000 per fiscal year multiplied by an annual adjustment factor of 4% beginning in fiscal year 2005-065% of the balance of the fund;

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §569-A, sub-§12-A is enacted to read:

12-A. Audit. The department shall conduct an annual audit of the administration of the fund to ensure that standard accounting practices are being followed.

SUMMARY

This bill limits administrative expenses, personal services and equipment costs related to the administration and enforcement of the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund to 5% of the balance of the fund and requires the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct an annual audit of the administration of the fund to ensure that standard accounting practices are being followed.