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## **An Act To Amend the Site Location of Development Laws**

### **CONCEPT DRAFT SUMMARY**

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

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

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

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