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Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Evaluate Emissions from Heated Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 20, 2019. Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth and
Senators: CARSON of Cumberland, CHIPMAN of Cumberland, VITELLI of Sagadahoc,
Representatives: KESSLER of South Portland, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill.

Sec. 1. Air emissions study. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection shall study methods to measure and estimate air emissions from fixed-roof, heated aboveground petroleum storage tanks. In conducting the study under this section, the department shall include, but is not limited to, consideration of methods published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, ASTM International and the National Institute of Standards and Technology, as well as methods used by other states and jurisdictions.

Sec. 2. Odor and air emissions control study. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection shall study methods to control odor and other air emissions from emission sources at oil terminal facilities, including emissions from aboveground petroleum storage tanks, loading racks and vessel offloading. In conducting the study under this section, the department shall include consideration of best available technologies for the control of odor and emissions being used by other states and jurisdictions.

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That, by January 1, 2021, the Department of Environmental Protection shall report its findings under sections 1 and 2 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters. The report must include recommendations from the department for methods to be applied for emissions measurement and estimates, as well as recommended odor and emission control requirements, and must include identification of any procedural steps necessary to implement those recommendations in the State under the federal Clean Air Act.

The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters is authorized to submit legislation related to the report to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

26 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Environmental Protection to study methods to measure and estimate air emissions from fixed-roof, heated aboveground petroleum storage tanks and methods to control odor and other air emissions from emission sources at oil terminal facilities. The department is required to submit a report by January 1, 2021 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources matters, which may submit legislation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.