An Act To Create Consistency in the Regulation of Pesticides

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1471-U, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 93, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §3007, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Restrictions on pesticide ordinances. A municipality may not adopt or enforce any ordinance or rule regulating the sale or use of pesticides, including without limitation ordinances relating to pesticide use limitations, registration, use notification, advertising and marketing, distribution, applicator training and certification, storage, transportation, disposal or product composition or the disclosure of confidential information related to pesticides. An ordinance regulating the sale or use of pesticides adopted prior to the effective date of this subsection is void. As used in this subsection, "pesticide" has the same meaning as in Title 22, section 1471-C, subsection 19.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits a municipality from adopting or continuing to enforce any ordinance or rule regarding the sale or use of pesticides.