An Act To Grant Plantations the Power To Control Consumer Fireworks

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, under current law plantations do not have the power to control consumer fireworks; and

Whereas, control of consumer fireworks by plantations is critical to protecting the environment and to fire safety; and

Whereas, control of consumer fireworks by plantations is necessary before the summer season begins; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §7051, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 35, §3, is amended to read:

11. Ordinances. Chapter 141, but only with respect to animal control ordinances and, subject to Title 7, section 3950, and the sale and use of consumer fireworks within the plantation, subject to Title 8, section 223-A.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.