

STATE OF MAINE

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

Sec. 1. Air emissions study. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection shall study methods to measure and estimate air emissions from 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. As part of the study, the department shall identify methods or programs for assisting municipalities in the use and application of mobile air quality monitoring devices to identify the release of hazardous air pollutants from aboveground petroleum storage tanks.

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 and methods or programs for assisting municipalities in the use and application of mobile air quality monitoring devices, 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.