

§1493. Low-level radioactive waste disposal referendum

A low-level radioactive waste disposal or storage facility may not be constructed or operated in the State unless the construction or operation is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the construction or operation in a statewide election. The election must be held in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election and in accordance with the procedures set forth in Title 35-A, section 4302. The voters must be asked to vote on the acceptance or rejection of construction or operation by voting on the following question:

"Do you approve (insert construction or operation) of a low-level radioactive waste (insert disposal or storage) facility as proposed for (insert location)?" [PL 1995, c. 642, §21 (AMD).]

This question must be submitted to the legal voters of the State at the next following statewide election after a decision by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission to approve a low-level radioactive waste facility. The construction or operation of the facility may not commence prior to the election. [PL 1995, c. 642, §21 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

IB 1985, c. 1 (NEW). PL 1987, c. 769, §B9 (AMD). PL 1995, c. 642, §21 (AMD).

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