

PLEASE NOTE: The Office of the Revisor of Statutes **cannot** perform research, provide legal advice, or interpret Maine law. For legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.

**Public Law**  
123rd Legislature  
First Regular Session

---

**Chapter 43**  
**H.P. 647 - L.D. 848**

**An Act To Encourage Greater Public Input into  
the State Environmental Licensing Process**

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

**Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §345-A, sub-§5** is enacted to read:

**5. Public meetings.** At the board's or commissioner's discretion, the board or commissioner may schedule and hold public meetings in the geographic area of a proposed project for the purpose of collecting comments that become part of the record in a pending action. Any such meeting must be held during the period when written public comments may be submitted to the department. This subsection and the conduct of a public meeting do not change any other obligation the department has to hold public hearings that are mandatory by statute or required after a timely request is filed.

Effective September 20, 2007