**§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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