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SUMMARY OF LAWS ENACTED BY STATES DURING 1975

The following is a summary of laws affecting nuclear power plants which were enacted by the states during the 1975 legislative session.

RADIATION CONTROL

Arkansas H-659. Establishes within Department of Health a statewide radiation control financial responsibility program. (Approved 3/12/75)

Illinois HB-994. Amends current Radiation Protection Act to redefine "specific license" to include "radioactive," rather than "by-product, source or special nuclear" materials. (Approved 9/11/75)

Nevada A-761. Designates Division of Health as state radiation control agency; responsibilities include licensing of radioactive materials. (Approved 5/22/75)

New York S-6506. Amends general business law to prohibit possession or use of radioactive material without a license from the state's industrial commissioner. (Approved 8/9/75)

New York A-7986. Delegates state licensing authority of radioactive material to cities with population of 1 million or more. (Approved 8/9/75)

North Carolina S-75. A broad revision of North Carolina's Radiation Protection Act. Creates Radiation Protection Commission. Authorizes environmental monitoring and surveillance programs around N-plants. (Ratified 6/23/75)

Oregon S-55. Empowers Health Division, Department of Human Resources, to take emergency action to protect the public against radiation. (Approved 6/3/75)

Virginia H-1694. Department of Health, as the state radiation control agency, to develop programs to deal with radiation emergencies. (Approved 3/22/75)

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POWER PLANT INSPECTIONS

Colorado HB-1138. Expands powers of state radiation control agency to permit inspections of federal installations without prior permission of appropriate federal agency. (Approved 7/14/75)

NUCLEAR STUDIES

Connecticut H-7661. Creates Nuclear Power Evaluation Council to study and make recommendations by 2/15/76 concerning the extent to which Connecticut can regulate, supervise or monitor N-plants. (Approved 7/1/75)

Massachusetts H-5999. Directs a joint special committee to study nuclear power and its health and safety effects. (Adopted 6/10/75)

Montana S-374. Department of Natural Resources to study methods and effects of solution extraction of uranium, and propose appropriate legislation. (Approved 4/8/75)

Rhode Island S-180. Economic Development Corporation to study location and development of N-plants in Rhode Island. (Adopted 4/3/75)

CREATION OF ENERGY AGENCIES

Connecticut H-8554. Abolishes Energy Agency and consolidates planning and policy responsibilities into Department of Planning and Energy Policy. (Approved 6/30/75)

Florida SB-123. Florida Environmental Reorganization Act of 1975. (See "Nuclear Power Plant Siting") (Approved 5/22/75)

Kansas S-13. Creates Kansas Energy Office, including an Energy Advisory Council. (Approved 4/18/75)

New York A-8620. Originally intended to prohibit the construction of nuclear facilities, the bill, as enacted, served only to reconstitute the Atomic and Space Development Authority (ASDA) into an ERDA. (Approved 8/9/75)

North Carolina S-943. Creates Energy Policy Council, to serve as central energy policy planning body. (Ratified 6/26/75)

Oregon S-483. Creates Department of Energy and Energy Facility Siting Council. (See "Nuclear Power Plant Siting") (Approved 7/2/75)

JOINT AGREEMENTS

Florida H-1329. Authorizes publicly- and privately-owned electric utilities to jointly plan, finance, acquire, construct, own, manage, operate and utilize joint electric power supply projects. (Approved 6/25/75)

Nebraska L-104 and L-62. Permits public power districts to enter into joint agreements concerning electric generation or transmission facilities. (Approved 3/7/75)

North Carolina H-266. Authorizes municipalities to own and operate jointly electric generation and transmission facilities. (Ratified 5/1/75)

Utah H-111. Permits cities and regulated electric utilities to participate jointly in the development of power facilities. (Approved 3/17/75)

REFERENDUM

Massachusetts H-6530. Provides that the following issue: "Shall a second nuclear power station be constructed within the town of Plymouth?" be placed on the next official ballot at the town meeting of Plymouth. Results are not binding. (Approved 8/28/75)

LEGISLATIVE CONTROL OVER NUCLEAR PLANTS

Vermont H-127. Requires legislative approval for construction of nuclear plants. (Approved 4/3/75)

LICENSING OF GUARDS

Florida SB-245. Requires Department of State to license private guards. (Affects guards at N-plants) (Approved 6/27/75)

TRANSPORTATION

Hawaii S-322. Relates to exterior markings on vehicles used to transport radioactive materials. (Approved 5/1/75)

NUCLEAR POWER PLANT SITING

Florida S-123. Creates Department of Environmental Regulation; transfers duties of Department of Pollution Control to DER, except for certain powers, relating to power plant siting, which are vested in the Governor and Cabinet. (Approved 5/22/75)

Minnesota S-1196. After 9/15/75, no large energy facility can be sited or constructed without a certificate of need. (Approved 5/17/75)

Montana H-581. A power or energy conversion facility may not be constructed without a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need. (Approved 4/21/75)

North Dakota S-2050. Requires site compatibility certificate for construction of a power plant. (Approved 4/9/75)

Oregon AJR-31. Directs Nuclear & Thermal Energy Council to designate Newberry Crater and Lava Cast Forest, as unsuitable sites for N-plants. (Adopted 5/75)

Oregon S-483. Abolishes Nuclear and Thermal Energy Council and transfers its functions to Energy Facility Siting Council. (Approved 7/2/75)

Wisconsin AB-463. Comprehensive siting bill, with siting authority vested in the Public Service Commission. (Approved 9/24/75)

Wyoming H-125. Industrial Siting Council permit required for construction of power plant. (Approved 3/8/75)

DISPOSAL OF NUCLEAR WASTES

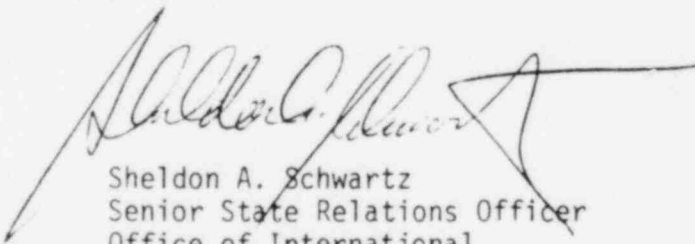
Nevada AJR-15. Urges ERDA to choose Nevada Test Site for disposal of nuclear wastes. (Adopted 5/16/75)

Oregon S-163. Authorizes Department of Environmental Quality to establish and operate site(s) for disposal of environmentally hazardous wastes. (Approved 6/30/75)

MISCELLANEOUS

North Carolina S-420. Establishes policy to govern expansion of electric utility facilities. (Ratified 6/24/75)

Oregon H-2629. Permits holder of a nuclear plant construction permit to prepay local taxes. (Approved 7/2/75)



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