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House of Representatives, February 11, 1993

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning.

Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative JACQUES of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland and Senator: LUDWIG of Aroostook.

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1606, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 622, is amended to read:

5. Registration. A motor vehicle with a model year of 1994 $\underline{1995}$ or later may not be registered in the State or sold to a consumer or dealer in the State if it contains air conditioning equipment that uses CFCs.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

14 Automobile manufacturers are converting all lines and models conditioners of vehicles from air 16 chlorofluorocarbons to air conditioners that use alternative, less environmentally damaging refrigerants. The process of redesign will not be complete for model year 1994 vehicles, which 18 are due out in the summer or fall of 1993. This bill delays the 20 effective date for one model year to ensure that state consumers have an adequate product line to choose from and to make sure that new car dealers have products to sell. 22