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House of Representatives, March 22, 2005

**Resolve, Directing the Air Toxics Advisory Committee To Review
the Status of Toxic Emissions from Waste-to-energy Facilities in the
State and Recommend Actions Aimed at Reducing and Monitoring
These Emissions**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative KAELIN of Winterport.
Cosponsored by Senator WESTON of Waldo and
Representatives: DUPREY of Hampden, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor,
TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senator: COWGER of Kennebec.

2 **Sec. 1. Provide emissions data. Resolved:** That the Department
3 of Environmental Protection shall provide emissions data to the
4 Air Toxics Advisory Committee that include information on direct
5 and indirect emissions of hazardous air pollutants from Maine's 4
6 waste-to-energy facilities; and be it further

7 **Sec. 2. Subcommittee formed. Resolved:** That the Department of
8 Environmental Protection shall form a subcommittee of the Air
9 Toxics Advisory Committee to consider the toxicity-weighted
10 emissions from waste-to-energy facilities and potential
11 strategies for reducing toxic air emissions. The subcommittee
12 shall also consider the need for internal and external monitoring
13 systems for toxic air emissions from waste-to-energy facilities.
14 The subcommittee must be composed of representatives of differing
15 viewpoints on the State's policy regarding waste-to-energy
16 facilities; and be it further

17 **Sec. 3. Funding. Resolved:** That the Department of
18 Environmental Protection may also receive funds from other
19 sources to assist in funding the costs of the subcommittee; and
20 be it further

21 **Sec. 4. Reporting date established. Resolved:** That the
22 Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall report to the
23 Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources by February 15,
24 2006 on the recommendations made by the Air Toxics Advisory
25 Committee regarding toxic air emissions from waste-to-energy
26 facilities and the Department of Environmental Protection's next
27 steps planned to address toxic air emissions from the
28 waste-to-energy facilities.
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SUMMARY

35 This resolve requires the Department of Environmental
36 Protection to provide data to the Air Toxics Advisory Committee
37 that include information on direct and indirect emissions of
38 hazardous air pollutants from Maine's 4 waste-to-energy
39 facilities. The resolve also requires the Department of
40 Environmental Protection to form a subcommittee of the Air Toxics
41 Advisory Committee to consider the toxicity-weighted emissions
42 from waste-to-energy facilities and potential strategies for
43 reducing toxic air emissions. The Commissioner of Environmental
44 Protection shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee
on Natural Resources by February 15, 2006.