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CHAPTER 388

S. P. 423 — L. D. 1294

AN ACT to Clarify the Powers and Duties of the Office of Energy Resources.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 5005, sub-§ 1, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 587, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

A. Prepare a comprehensive energy resources plan to consist of the following 2 components:

(1) A description and quantification of the present supply, rates of use and energy needs of the State; a cost analysis of providing energy to meet the State's future needs; a description of the assumptions upon which the predictions and costs are based and the probability of error in the projections in the plan. These tasks shall be completed on an annual basis and submitted to the Governor and Legislature by January 15th of each year; and

(2) A description and quantification of the availability of various energy resources for the State. This assessment shall utilize the most current available data and include all resources that can potentially help meet Maine's energy needs. This task shall be accomplished on a biennial basis and public input shall be sought through a public hearing process determined by the director in accordance with provisions of Title 5, chapter 375. After public hearings have been held, the final copy of the plan shall be submitted to the Governor and Legislature by January 15th to serve as a basis for legislative initiative;

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 5005, sub-§ 1, ¶D, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 587, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

D. The Director of Energy Resources shall be responsible for collecting and analyzing energy data from all available energy sources in the State. Data relating to activities outside the State may be requested only insofar as these activities have a direct impact upon energy costs and availability within the State. The director shall afford confidential treatment to information, documents and data dealing with sales of individual companies which are engaged in the wholesale and retail trade of petroleum products in the State, upon request of the individual companies;

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA § 5005, sub-§ 1, ¶D-1 is enacted to read:

D-1. The director shall ensure that deliveries of heating oil to residences are accurately metered;

Effective September 14, 1979