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## (EMERGENCY) FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

#### ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 1923

H. P. 1480 House of Representatives, January 24, 1972
The Committee on Judiciary suggested.
BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk
Presented by Mr. Parks of Presque Isle.

#### STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO

#### AN ACT Relating to Kindling Out-of-door Fires.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the 105th Legislature in regular session enacted chapter 179 of the public laws of 1971 whereby permits for kindling out-of-door fires were not necessary for the use of portable stoves fueled by propane gas, gasoline or sterno: and

Whereas, it now appears that another section of the Revised Statutes should have been amended; and

Whereas, the following legislation is necessary to carry out the legislative intent; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 1401, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 1401 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 45 of chapter 226 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed as follows:

Such fires include the use of sterno, gasoline, charcoal or other fuel fires in or out of tents and collapsible shelters.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 1401, amended. Section 1401 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 45 of chapter 226 of the public laws of 1965, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

This section shall not apply to the use of portable stoves which are fueled by propane gas, gasoline or sterno.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.