

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**No. 1985**

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The Committee on Natural Resources suggested. Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Peltier of Houlton

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-EIGHT

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**AN ACT Relating to Incinerator Particulate Emission Standard for Wood Waste Teepee Burners.**

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

**Sec.1. 38 MRSA § 584-A, sub-§ 1, ¶¶'s A and B,** as enacted by PL 1971, c. 570, are amended to read:

**A.** Particulate matter concentration for any 24-hour period at any location shall not exceed ~~100~~ 150 micrograms per cubic meter.

**B.** The annual geometric mean of the 24-hour particulate matter concentrations at any location shall not exceed ~~50~~ 60 micrograms per cubic meter.

**Sec. 2. 38 MRSA § 601, sub-§ 2, ¶ A,** as enacted by PL 1973, c. 438, § 8, is amended to read:

**A.** Any incinerator, **other than wood waste teepee incinerators,** darker than a number 1 on the Ringelmann Chart, excluding the emission of water vapor **or any wood waste teepee incinerator, darker than a number 2 on the Ringelmann Chart,** for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any hour, excluding the emission of water vapors;

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill proposes a change in the incinerator particulate emission requirements under the Ringelmann standard to make it possible for a properly designed, maintained and

operated wood waste teepee burner to conform to federal ambient air quality requirements. The change in particulate matter concentration would align Maine with federal standards.