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(EMERGENCY) FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1292

S. P. 420

In Senate, March 19, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator Chapman of Sagadahoc.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

RESOLVE, Directing the Review of the Statutes Relating to Junkyards.

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

Whereas, there are many illegal junkyards in existence; and

Whereas, there are differences in the definition of junkyards at both the state and federal level; and

Whereas, there may be a loss of federal funds if these differences are not corrected; and

Whereas, it may be desirable to designate a single state agency for enforcement responsibilities; 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

Review of statutes relating to junkyards. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the State Planning Office and the Department of Environmental Protection, is authorized and directed to review the statutes relating to junkyards to determine if there is need for modifications and adjustments in the laws of the State; and be it further

Report. Resolved: That a report of the findings shall be made to the first regular session of the 110th Legislature convening in December 1980; and be it further

Legislation. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation is directed to develop legislation that may be necessary to implement the findings and recommendations.

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide for the review of the statutes relating to junkyards to determine if there is need for modifications to the statutes.