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H. P. 1480

House of Representatives, June 4, 1979.

Approved for introduction by a Majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27. The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Peterson of Caribou.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Regulate Cone Burner Incineration for the Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste.

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

38 MRSA § 607, sub-§ 1, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 770, § 212, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. Cone burners. The Department of Environmental Protection shall have the authority to assist municipalities and set the emission standards for the use of cone burner incineration for the disposal of municipal solid waste.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The existing air statutes allow unrestricted use of cone burner incineration for disposal of municipal solid waste for populations which do not exceed 25,000 people. This law is currently ineffective as the United States Environmental Protection Agency did not allow this law as a valid revision to the State Implementation Plan. This bill repeals the existing statutes and provides the Department of Environmental Protection the authority to assist local municipalities in determining new standards for cone burner incineration which will be acceptable to the United State Environmental Protection Agency.