

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 702**

H. P. 619

House of Representatives, February 6, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Brodeur of Auburn.

Cosponsors: Representative Jacques of Waterville, Representative

Webster of Farmington and Representative E. Paradis of Old Town.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Provide for a Solid Waste Management Subsidy Bonus for  
Municipalities and Counties Engaged in Resource Recovery.**

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

38 MRSA § 1316 is enacted to read:

§ 1316. **Resource recovery bonus**

The commissioner shall authorize an additional payment equal to 10% of the subsidy authorized in section 1315, subsection 3, to those municipalities and counties that recycle, recover or produce energy from solid wastes. If adequate funds are not available for this bonus, the commissioner shall prorate the bonus subsidy based on the available funds.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill creates an additional bonus payment in the solid waste subsidy for municipalities and counties that engage in resource recovery from solid waste. The bill's intent is to encourage energy and resource saving solid waste management practices through economic incentives. The start-up costs of resource recovery tend to be substantially higher than traditional solid waste operations.