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No. 1403

H. P. 1179

House of Representatives, March 19, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative J. Mitchell of Freeport.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Require Insulation Standards for New Electrically Heated Buildings.

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA § 1413, sub-§ 7-A is enacted to read:

7-A. **Electrically heated building.** "Electrically heated building" means a residential or nonresidential building, including manufactured housing, with a conditioned space heated by permanently installed electrical resistance heating equipment.

Sec. 2. 10 MRSA § 1415-A, sub-§ 6 is enacted to read:

6. **Electrically heated buildings.** Any new electrically heated building for which construction is commenced after January 1, 1982, shall be constructed in conformance with the energy efficiency building performance standards of this chapter. This requirement shall also apply to any addition or combination of additions which consist of conditioned space that exceeds 25% of the floor area of the existing building, and to renovations, where the cost of the renovation exceeds 75% of the value of the building or the portion renovated.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would require new buildings, including major additions or renovations, to meet the state energy efficiency performance standards, if they are heated by electrical resistance heat.