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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 264

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7 S.P. 83

In Senate, January 29, 1985

8 Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to
9 Joint Rule 24.

10 Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested
and ordered printed.

J. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

11 Presented by Senator Kany of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative Mitchell of Freeport.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Extend the Operation of
18 the Low-level Waste Siting Commission
19 and the Low-level Waste Siting Fund.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1477, sub-§2, as reallocated by
24 PL 1983, c. 381, §6, is amended to read:

25 2. Service fee. A service fee of \$10 per cubic
26 foot shall be levied on all low-level radioactive
27 waste generated in this State and which is shipped to
28 commercial disposal facilities or stored awaiting
29 disposal at a low-level radioactive waste disposal
30 facility. This service fee shall not apply to
31 low-level radioactive waste which is authorized by
32 the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission to be
33 stored for decay on the site of generation or dis-
34 posed without regard to radioactivity. The Board of
35 Environmental Protection shall identify, by regula-
36 tion, a list of those wastes which are exempt from

1 the service fee, consistent with the intent of this
2 section. The revenue from this service fee shall be
3 credited to the fund established in subsection 1 and
4 used to carry out the purposes of this subchapter.
5 This service fee shall be levied only on low-level
6 radioactive waste generated and shipped on or before
7 December 31, 1985.

8 Sec. 2. Allocation. The following funds are al-
9 located from the Low-level Waste Siting Fund to carry
10 out the purposes of this Act.

	<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>
12 <u>LOW-LEVEL WASTE SITING</u>		
13 <u>COMMISSION</u>		
14 All Other	\$7,500	\$15,000
15 <u>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,</u>		
16 <u>DEPARTMENT OF</u>		
17 Personal Services	17,000	33,000
18 All Other	<u>15,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>
19 Total	\$39,500	\$78,000

20 STATEMENT OF FACT

21 The duties and responsibilities of the Low-level
22 Waste Siting Commission and its support function
23 within the Department of Environmental Protection are
24 expected to continue beyond December 31, 1985. The
25 Federal Government has delegated full responsibility
26 for low-level radioactive waste management to the
27 State effective in 1986.

28 Section 1 continues the Low-level Waste Siting
29 Fund beyond December 31, 1985, by repealing the ter-
30 mination date currently in effect. New language also
31 defines the service fee requirements more clearly and
32 asks the Board of Environmental Protection to develop
33 a rule which specifies which radioactive wastes are
34 exempt from the service fee.

1 Section 2 allocates resources to the Low-level
2 Waste Siting Commission and its Department of Envi-
3 ronmental Protection support function for the second
4 half of fiscal year 1986 and for fiscal year 1987.

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