

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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(New Draft of H.P. 1280, L.D. 1797)  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2071

H.P. 1469

House of Representatives, February 26, 1986

Reported by the Majority from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and printed under Joint Rule 2.

Original bill sponsored by Representative Begley of Waldoboro.  
Cosponsored by Representative Mayo of Thomaston, Representative Michaud of Medway, and Representative Holloway of Edgecomb.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Concerning State Contribution to  
Pollution Abatement.

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

38 MRSA §411, first ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1985, c. 479, §3, is amended to read:

The department may pay an amount at least 15%, but not to exceed 45%, of the expense of a municipal or quasi-municipal pollution abatement construction program. The department may pay up to 90% of the expense of a municipal or quasi-municipal pollution abatement construction program in which the construction cost of the project does not exceed \$100,000 so long as total expenditures for the small projects do not exceed \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year and not more than one grant is made to any applicant each year, except that the department may pay up to 50% of the expense of individual projects serving seasonal dwellings or commercial establishments.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The purpose of this new draft is to replace the  
3 means test proposed in the original bill. That test  
4 was to be used to determine the share of the depart-  
5 ment's contribution to small pollution abatement  
6 projects. Currently, the department may pay up to  
7 90% of such projects. Many of those projects are de-  
8 signed to serve individual seasonal homes or commer-  
9 cial establishments whose owners are able to pay for  
10 all or a large part of the project themselves. This  
11 new draft limits the department's share up to 50% of  
12 the cost of those projects and is intended to in-  
13 crease the number of projects which the available  
14 funds can finance.

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