

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 1189

H.P. 888 House of Representatives, April 9, 1987  
Reference to the Committee on Utilities suggested and  
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk  
Presented by Representative CONLEY of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative BAKER of Portland and  
Senator ERWIN of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1           **Resolve, to Create a Commission to Study the**  
2           **Cost of Replacement Power in Case of**  
3           **a Shutdown of the Maine Yankee Power**  
4           **Plant.**  
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6           **Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves**  
7           **of the Legislature do not become effective until 90**  
8           **days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies;**  
9           **and**

10           **Whereas, the voters of the State or the Legisla-**  
11           **ture could mandate a shutdown of the Maine Yankee Nu-**  
12           **clear Power Plant as early as November 1987; and**

13           **Whereas, the need to constitute a commission to**  
14           **study the cost of replacement power in case such an**  
15           **eventuality occurs is immediate; and**

1       Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,  
2 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of  
3 the Constitution of Maine and require the following  
4 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-  
5 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
6 therefore, be it

7       **Commission established. Resolved:** That there is  
8 established a commission to study the cost of re-  
9 placement power in case of a shutdown in the Maine  
10 Yankee Power Plant. The commission shall be com-  
11 prised of the following 7 members: Two senators ap-  
12 pointed by the President of the Senate; 2 members of  
13 the House of Representatives to be appointed by the  
14 Speaker of the House; the Director of the Office of  
15 Energy Resources, or his designee; the Director of  
16 the State Planning Office, or his designee; and one  
17 public member, who shall serve as chairman to be ap-  
18 pointed by the Governor; and be it further

19       **Study. Resolved:** That the commission shall  
20 study the costs of replacing power lost in the case  
21 of a mandated closing of the Maine Yankee Nuclear  
22 Power Plant; and be it further

23       **Compensation. Resolved:** That the legislative  
24 members of the commission shall receive the legisla-  
25 tive per diem. All other members shall be compen-  
26 sated for expenses; and be it further

27       **Appropriation. Resolved:** That the sum of  
28 \$10,000 be appropriated from the General Fund to car-  
29 ry out the purposes of this resolve; and be it fur-  
30 ther

31       **Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall  
32 make its report, together with any necessary imple-  
33 menting legislation, to the Second Regular Session of  
34 the 113th Legislature by January 31, 1988.

35       **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited  
36 in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when  
37 approved.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill establishes a commission to study the cost of replacement power in case of a shutdown in the Maine Yankee Nuclear Power Plant.

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