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STATE OF MAINE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to H.P. 1794, L.D. 2458,

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"RESOLVE, Regarding the Study of Low-Level Radioactive

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Waste in the Town of Greenbush."

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Amend the resolve by striking out everything after

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the title and inserting in its place the following:

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'University of Maine System and Greenbush to

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study. Resolved: That the University of Maine

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System and the Town of Greenbush shall jointly retain

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a consultant to study the former University of Maine

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System low-level radioactive waste disposal site on

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Department of Conservation land in the Town of

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Greenbush. The University of Maine System and the

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town may seek the advice of the State Geologist and

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the Department of Environmental Protection in

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reviewing the consultant's report. The University of

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Maine System shall pay all costs associated with the

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study. The study shall include the following elements:

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1. An assessment of the adequacy of the existing

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ground water monitoring system and past sampling

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programs. This assessment will determine the need for

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an expanded monitoring well system and the preparation

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of a 5-year monitoring program to assess impacts on

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ground water quality;

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2. An evaluation of the effectiveness of past

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remedial actions taken at the site, including the

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1 existing sand and plastic cap on the site, to limit
2 long-term impacts on ground water quality;

3 3. An evaluation of the health and environmental
4 risks of removing the radioactive waste materials and
5 other hazardous materials to an approved disposal
6 site; and

7 4. The preparation of a permanent closure plan
8 for the site which meets all federal and state
9 requirements for the closure of low-level radioactive
10 waste disposal sites; and be it further

11 Report. Resolved: That the University and the
12 Town shall issue a report on the findings to the Joint
13 Standing Committee of the Legislature on Energy and
14 Natural Resources by January 15, 1989; and be it
15 further

16 Future fiscal responsibility. Resolved: That the
17 University of Maine System shall incorporate the funds
18 necessary to implement the recommended actions in its
19 budget proposal to the Legislature for fiscal year
20 1990 and beyond; and be it further

21 Appropriation. Resolved: That the following
22 funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry
23 out the purposes of this resolve.

24 1988-89

25 UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM

26 All Other \$75,000'

27 Statement of Fact

28 The purpose of this amendment is to direct the
29 University of Maine System and the Town of Greenbush
30 to retain a consultant to conduct an independent study
31 of the Greenbush radioactive waste site. The study
32 would include an assessment of the adequacy of the
33 existing ground water monitoring system and the
34 existing cap on the disposal site. The study would

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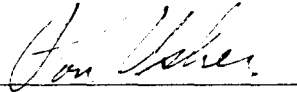
1 also include an assessment of moving the buried
2 materials to an approved disposal site. As an
3 alternative, the study will also include preparation
4 of a final closure plan that meets federal
5 requirements. The amendment also establishes the
6 fiscal responsibility of the University of Maine
7 System to deal with its wastes.

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