

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 71

House of Representatives, February 6, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo.

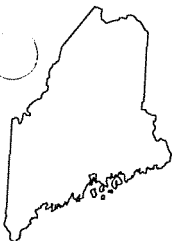
Cosponsored by Representative SMALL of Bath, Representative AULT of Wayne and Senator ESTES of York.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Establish a Matching Grant Program for Removal of
Hazardous Chemicals from Schools.**

(EMERGENCY)



1 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
3 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

5 **Whereas,** there are hazardous chemicals presently in
7 schools; and

9 **Whereas,** the program to help schools remove these chemicals
should start before the beginning of the next school year; and

11 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
13 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
15 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

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

19 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15613, sub-§14** is enacted to read:

21 14. Removal of hazardous chemicals. Notwithstanding any
23 other provision of this chapter, the State may provide a direct
matching grant for up to 50% of the cost, but not to exceed
25 \$2500, of the removal and disposal of obsolete and hazardous
chemicals from a school. The commissioner shall establish rules
27 for defining which chemicals shall be covered and for the
awarding of grants. The criteria for awarding grants shall
29 include, but not be limited to, consideration of prioritizing
awards on a first come first serve basis.

31 **Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated
33 from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1988-89	1989-90
EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
School Facilities Programs --		
Local Schools		
All Other	\$25,000	\$25,000

43 **Sec. 3. Sunset.** This Act is repealed on July 1, 1990

45 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
47 preamble, this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1989.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill sets up a pilot project for providing state grants for the removal of obsolete and hazardous chemicals from schools.