

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
114TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1579, L.D. 2188, Bill, "An Act to Provide Emergency Fuel Assistance to Elderly and Low-income Residents"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before emergency clause and inserting in its place the following:

**Sec. 1. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the Stripper Well Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**1989-90**

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**Division of Community Services**

**Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program**

All Other \$1,300,000

Provides funds to continue the "Emergency Crisis Intervention Program," ECIP, to assist low-income persons with emergency fuel purchases consistent with regulations of the federal "Low-Income Heating Assistance Program."

**Division of Community Services**

**Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program**

All Other \$400,000

Provides funds to be used in the Central Heating Improvement Program, CHIP, for grants to repair or replace dangerous,

2 inefficient or inoperative heating systems  
for eligible low-income households.

4 **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**  
5 **TOTAL**

\$1,700,000

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7 **Sec. 2. Allowance for state administrative purposes.** An allowance  
8 for the use of funds allotted in this Act, not to exceed 5% of  
the funds allocated to each program, is available under this Act.

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11 **Sec. 3. Unexpended balances carried forward.** Any unexpended  
12 balances of allocations made in this Act may not lapse on June  
30, 1990 but must be carried forward to be used to increase  
14 benefit levels in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program  
in fiscal year 1990-91.'

18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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21 This amendment allocates \$1,700,000 in fiscal year 1989-90  
22 in new Stripper Well Fund dollars as follows:

24 1. One million, three hundred thousand dollars to provide  
additional funds for emergency fuel assistance; and

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27 2. Four hundred thousand dollars to repair or replace  
28 low-income household heating systems.

30 This amendment also provides that any unexpended balance  
31 from this fiscal year be carried forward to increase Low-Income  
32 Home Energy Assistance Program benefit levels in fiscal year  
1990-91.

Reported by the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs  
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House  
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