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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative HEESCHEN of Wilton.
Cosponsored by Representative HOLT of Bath, Representative MITCHELL of Freeport and Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Prohibit the Installation of Electric Heating Systems.



		Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2		Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3518-A, sub-§2 is enacted to read:
4		Sec. 1. States A 93510-A, Sub-92 is enacted to read:
		2. Certain tenants held harmless. A person who receives
6		fuel assistance under this section is held harmless from payment
	- - 4	of any electric space heating costs incurred during the heating
8	* 3	season for which the fuel assistance benefit was received that
10		are in excess of any heating costs paid by that person's fuel
10		assistance benefit if:
12		A. The person is a tenant; and
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14		B. The person is housed in a rental unit that has a primary
		electric space heating system installed.
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		For the purposes of this subsection, a "primary electric space
18		heating system" means a heating system with a rated maximum heat
:		output greater than 50% of the design heating load of the rental
20		unit in which the tenant lives.
22		Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §1415-G is enacted to read: .
24		§1415-G. Prohibition on electric heat
<u> </u>		Transfer of the creeking the contraction of the creeking
26		After January 1, 1992, a person may not install any electric
		space heating systems in any building. A person violating this
28		section commits a civil violation punishable by a penalty of at
		least \$1,000 but not more than \$10,000.
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JŦ		This bill prohibits the installation of any electric space
36		heating systems after January 1, 1992 and holds a recipient of a
50		low-income fuel assistance payment harmless for any heating costs
38		in excess of those covered by the fuel assistance payment if the
50		recipient is a tenant living in an electrically heated dwelling.
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