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SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1992

Legislative Document

No. 2133

S.P. 829

In Senate, January 9, 1992

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26. Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Pertaining to the Assessment of Fees on Nuclear Power Plants.



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

38 MRSA §1535, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1989, c. 480, §15, is further amended to read:

The authority shall assess any nuclear Assessment. plant within the State for the full cost of planning, siting, licensing and construction of a low-level radioactive waste disposal or storage facility, including reasonable reserves for unforeseen contingencies. The initial assessment shall may not exceed \$19,909,900 \$15,000,000 and shall must be assessed as \$1,500,000 on March 1, 1988; \$2,500,000 on March 1, 1989; \$2,000,000 on March 1, 1990; \$2,000,000 on March 1, 1991; and \$2,000,000 on March 1, 1992; \$2,500,000 on March 1, 1993; and \$2,500,000 on March 1, 1994. As reliable cost estimates become available, additional costs associated with any radioactive waste disposal and storage facilities shall must be assessed any nuclear plant within the State following legislative enaetment approval. The amount assessed shall must be paid within 30 days of assessment. This assessment shall must be deposited in the Low-level Radioactive Waste Facility Fund.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill allows for the collection of additional funds from any nuclear power plant in the State for the siting, land acquisition, site characterization and licensing of a low-level radioactive waste facility. Additional funds will also be needed for the construction of the facility. The bill also makes a technical correction to clarify a reference to action of the Legislature.