

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)



# 116th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1993

---

Legislative Document

No. 1399

H.P. 1047

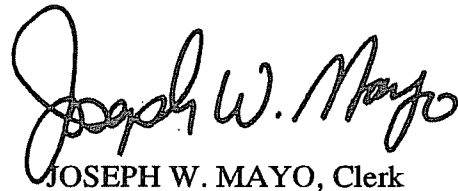
House of Representatives, May 3, 1993

---

**An Act to Encourage Residential Energy Efficiency.**

---

Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative HEESCHEN of Wilton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: KONTOS of Windham, WENTWORTH of Arundel, Senator:  
PINGREE of Knox.

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

2  
4       Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §13085-A is enacted to read:

6       §13085-A. Residential home energy-rating system

8       The commissioner or a designee shall adopt rules  
establishing a residential home energy-rating system.

10       1. Components of the home energy-rating system. The  
12       residential home energy-rating system adopted under this section  
must:

14       A. Establish procedures for:

16               (1) Training and certification of persons conducting  
18               energy efficiency ratings;

20               (2) Data collection and reporting procedures;

22               (3) Quality control; and

24               (4) Monitoring and evaluation;

26       B. Be consistent regarding federal home energy-rating  
28       guidelines adopted by the Secretary of Energy under the  
federal Energy Policy Act of 1992;

30       C. Encourage consistency with the uniform plan for federal  
energy-efficient mortgages, including plans developed under:

32               (1) The federal Energy Policy Act of 1992, Sections  
34               105 and 106;

36               (2) The Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing  
38               Act, Section 946, 42 United States Code, Section 12712;  
and

40               (3) Subsection 2;

42       D. Provide that rating systems account for local climate  
44       conditions and construction practices, solar energy  
46       collected on site, and the benefits of peak-load shifting  
construction practices, without discriminating among fuel  
types; and

48       E. Establish procedures to ensure that a residential  
50       building receives an energy-efficiency rating at the time of  
sale and that such a rating is made available to potential  
buyers.

