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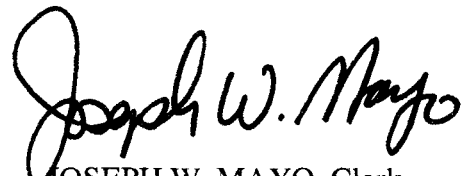
No. 1212

H.P. 855

House of Representatives, February 11, 1999

**Resolve, to Replace Reformulated Gasoline and Require an Alternative
Reid Vapor Pressure/Low-sulfur Substitute for the State.**

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative TRIPP of Topsham.
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of York and
Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, FULLER of Manchester, O'NEAL of Limestone,
SAVAGE of Union.

2 **Sec. 1. Use of Reid vapor pressure/low-sulfur fuel. Resolved:** That,
3 by January 1, 2000, the Board of Environmental Protection shall
4 adopt rules that require all gasoline that is distributed or
5 marketed between May 1st and September 15th of each year by bulk
6 gasoline terminals or is directly imported to gasoline service
7 stations or bulk gasoline plants between May 1st and September
8 15th of each year in this State be low-sulfur fuel, free of
9 methyl tertiary-butyl ether, and have a Reid vapor pressure
10 measure of no greater than 7.8 pounds per square inch. Rules
11 adopted pursuant to this resolve are major substantive rules as
12 defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375,
13 subchapter II-A.

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SUMMARY

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16 This resolve requires the Board of Environmental Protection
17 to adopt rules requiring the use of low-sulfur fuel with a Reid
18 vapor pressure measure of not greater than 7.8 pounds per square
19 inch between May 1st and September 15th in the entire State. The
20 fuel may not contain MTBE.