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## 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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S.P. 579

In Senate, March 4, 1999

Resolve, to Investigate State Purchasing of Goods and Services Produced under Conditions that Violate International Standards of Human Rights.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, STEVENS of Orono, WILLIAMS of Orono. Sec. 1. Review of state purchasing practices. Resolved: That the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services shall review its purchasing practices to determine which goods and services, if any, purchased by the State are manufactured or produced by firms that have been determined to have violated international standards of human rights, labor or environmental standards, as determined by the International Labor Organization of the United Nations, or other suitable bona fide international body; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services shall report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor no later than December 1, 1999.

## **SUMMARY**

This resolve directs the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to review its purchasing practices to identify goods and services produced under conditions that violate international standards of human rights, labor or environmental standards.