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House of Representatives, February 28, 2001

An Act to Conform New Motor Vehicle Emission Standards to Federal Emission Standards Adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DAIGLE of Arundel, TOBIN of Windham, Senators:
SAWYER of Penobscot, SHOREY of Washington.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §585-D**, as amended by PL 1999, c. 582, §1, is
repealed and the following enacted in its place:

6 **§585-D. New motor vehicle emission standards**

8 The board shall adopt and enforce standards that meet the
10 requirements of the federal Tier 2 motor vehicle emission
12 standards and gasoline sulfur control requirements, as found in
14 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 80 and 86. Rules adopted
16 pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined
18 in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill amends emission standards for new motor vehicles
20 to make Maine's standards consistent with the latest federal
standards. It requires the Board of Environmental Protection
22 within the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt the
same standards as the United States Environmental Protection
Agency in its most recent rulemaking, the "Tier 2" standards.