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S.P. 388

In Senate, March 6, 2003

Resolve, To Encourage Use of Alternative Energy Sources

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HALL of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, EARLE of Damariscotta, GROSE of Woolwich, SAMPSON of Auburn, SUSLOVIC of Portland.

Sec. 1. Energy Resources Council to study State's policy options.

Resolved: That the Energy Resources Council established in the
Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 3327 and referred to in
this resolve as "the council," shall study the State's options to
allow 5% of the State's vehicle and heating fuel needs to be met
from renewable sources, including, but not limited to, solar and
hydrogen, by the end of 2010; and be it further

Sec. 2. Council shall identify strategies and initiatives. Resolved:

That the council shall identify and determine the cost of
strategies and initiatives by the State, including direct funding
and other incentives for research and development of alternative
energy sources, pilot programs and commercialization of
technologies and report to the Joint Standing Committee on
Utilities and Energy and the Joint Standing Committee on
Transportation, no later than January 1, 2004; and be it further

Sec. 3. Costs. Resolved:

That the costs of the study required
in this resolve must be funded by the conservation program fund
established and administered by the Public Utilities Commission
pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section
3211-A.

SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Energy Resources Council to study
the State's policy options to allow 5% of the State's vehicle and
heating fuel needs to be met from renewable sources by the end of
2010 and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and
Energy and the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation no
later than January 1, 2004.