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# 123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1159

H.P. 852

House of Representatives, March 7, 2007

### Resolve, To Encourage Increased Use of Biodiesel Fuels in Maine

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow.  
Cosponsored by Senator HOBBS of York and  
Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, CLEARY of Houlton, FLOOD of Winthrop, MILLER of  
Somerville, RICHARDSON of Warren, ROBINSON of Raymond, Senators: COURTNEY of  
York, PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

1       **Sec. 1. Department of Transportation to develop a plan for a pilot**  
2 **program to establish refueling stations for biodiesel. Resolved:** That the  
3 Department of Transportation shall develop a plan for a pilot program to establish  
4 refueling stations for biodiesel fuel that is at least 85% ethanol. The Department of  
5 Transportation shall collaborate with the United States Department of Energy and the  
6 ethanol industry to secure resources and funding to facilitate the pilot program. The goal  
7 of the program is to convert up to 20 pump and tank systems to dispense biodiesel fuel  
8 that is at least 85% ethanol in areas of the State that have the highest population density  
9 and percentage of vehicles capable of receiving the fuel; and be it further

10       **Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than January 31, 2008, the Department  
11 of Transportation shall report its plan along with any recommended legislation related to  
12 the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. The Joint Standing  
13 Committee on Transportation may submit a bill related to the plan to the Second Regular  
14 Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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#### SUMMARY

16       This bill directs the Department of Transportation to develop a plan for a pilot  
17 program to establish refueling stations for biodiesel fuel that is at least 85% ethanol.