

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 480

House of Representatives, February 24, 2009

### An Act To Stabilize School Heating Costs

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Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative DILL of Cape Elizabeth.  
Cosponsored by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland and  
Representatives: CAIN of Orono, CASAVANT of Biddeford, LOVEJOY of Portland,  
MARTIN of Eagle Lake, NELSON of Falmouth, RANKIN of Hiram, SUTHERLAND of  
Chapman, WILLETTE of Presque Isle.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15008** is enacted to read:

3 **§15008. Heating oil**

4 The commissioner shall develop and administer a program for the bulk purchase of  
5 heating oil for every school facility within a school administrative unit that uses heating  
6 oil. A school administrative unit that uses heating oil shall pay to the department an  
7 amount equal to the unit's consumption of oil purchased under this section and a pro rata  
8 share of the expenses by the commissioner to administer this section.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill requires the Commissioner of Education to develop and administer a  
11 program for the bulk purchase of heating oil for every school facility that uses heating oil,  
12 with each participating school administrative unit paying for the unit's consumption of oil  
13 and a pro rata share of the expenses to administer the program.