

LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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LEGISLATURE

Task Force to Reduce the Burden of Home Heating Costs on Low-income Households

Personal Services	\$880
All Other	1,300

Provides funds for the per diem and expenses of legislative members of the Task Force to Reduce the Burden of Home Heating Costs on Low-income Households and to print the required report.

LEGISLATURE TOTAL

\$2,180

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve takes effect when approved.

Effective May 10, 2000.

CHAPTER 133

S.P. 420 - L.D. 1257

Resolve, Directing the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to Adopt Rules Regulating Push Polling

Sec. 1. Push polling; rulemaking. Resolved: That the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices shall adopt rules regulating push polling, including sanctions for candidates whose campaigns violate such rules governing push polling. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are major substantive rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 134

S.P. 529 - L.D. 1562

Resolve, to Create the Commission to Study the Establishment of an Environmental Leadership Program Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved: That the Commission to Study the Establishment of an Environmental Leadership Program, referred to in this resolve as the "commission," is established; and be it further

Sec. 2. Membership. Resolved: That the commission consists of 8 members appointed as follows:

1. Three members from the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate. When making the appointment, the President of the Senate shall give preference to members of the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources, the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development or the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation; and

2. Five members from the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. When making the appointments, the Speaker of the House shall give preference to members of the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources, the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development or the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation; and be it further

Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved: That the first Senate member named is the Senate chair and the first House member named is the House chair; and be it further

Sec. 4. Appointments; meetings. Resolved: That all initial appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this resolve. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council upon making their appointments. The chairs of the commission shall call and convene the first meeting of the commission no later than 45 days following the effective date of this resolve. The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall reappoint members or appoint new members from the 120th Legislature to serve on the commission by February 15, 2001. The commission may hold up to 8 meetings; and be it further

Sec. 5. Responsibilities. Resolved: That the responsibilities of the commission include the following:

1. To develop criteria for defining a company or business as an environmental leader;

2. To develop incentives to encourage companies and businesses to become environmental leaders and to attract environmental leaders to the State; and

3. To identify opportunities for and obstacles to creating an environmental leadership program; and be it further