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#### **CHAPTER 50**

#### S.P. 388 - L.D. 1184

### Resolve, To Encourage Use of Alternative Energy Sources

- Sec. 1. Energy Resources Council to study. Resolved: That the Energy Resources Council, established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 3327, in coordination with the Department of Environmental Protection, shall study:
- 1. The costs and benefits of state government actions and options to stimulate an increase in the percentage of various alternative transportation fuels and alternatively fueled vehicles used in the State;
- 2. The costs and benefits of state government actions and options to stimulate an increase in the production of biofuels in the State;
- 3. The related goals, practices, results and markets that exist in other states and provinces, especially those that share fuel or vehicle markets with Maine;
- 4. The potential for synergies between alternative transportation fuel and alternative heating fuel sectors and infrastructure;
- 5. The costs and benefits and actual or predicted transportation energy efficiency results of other initiatives, including dense multiuse development, long-term traffic and modal demand management plans of the Department of Transportation, anti-idling campaigns and fuel economy standards for state fleets; and
- 6. Related federal initiatives, requirements and funding, and the implications for strategic planning and investment in the State; and be it further
- Sec. 2. Energy Resources Council report. Resolved: That the Energy Resources Council shall report its interim findings and recommendations resulting from the study required in this resolve by January 31, 2004 and its final recommendations by January 31, 2005. The reports must present recommended production or usage goals for alternative transportation fuels and biofuels, recommended strategies to arrive at those goals and the predicted costs and benefits of such strategies; and be it further
- **Sec. 3. Costs. Resolved:** That the costs of the study required in this resolve must be absorbed within the existing resources of the Energy Resources Council and member agencies.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 51**

#### H.P. 1136 - L.D. 1550

#### Resolve, Authorizing the Transfer of Land from the State to Maine School Administrative District No. 16

**Preamble.** Whereas, the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 23 requires that real estate held by the State for conservation or recreation purposes may not be reduced or its uses substantially altered except on the vote of 2/3 of all members elected to each House; and

Whereas, the nonreserved public lands authorized for conveyance by this resolve are under the designations described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 598-A; and

Whereas, the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation may execute deeds on behalf of the State for nonreserved public lands, conveying lands that have been authorized for conveyance by the Legislature or sold by lawful authority subject to the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 598-A; now, therefore, be it

- Sec. 1. Director of Bureau of Parks and Lands authorized to convey certain nonreserved public lands in Maine. Resolved: That the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation may by quitclaim deed, and subject to any restrictions and reservations to be agreed upon by the director, sell or lease at fair market value all or part of property commonly known as "community gardens," located on Winthrop Street in the Town of Hallowell, to Maine School Administrative District No. 16; and be it further
- Sec. 2. Property exempt from certain laws and requirements. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulatory requirement, the property transferred pursuant to this resolve may not first be offered to the Maine State Housing Authority or any other state or local agency; and be it further
- **Sec. 3. Option agreement. Resolved:** That the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation is directed upon the request of the board of directors of Maine School Administrative District No. 16 to enter into an option agreement with the board for a term of up to 3 years to sell or lease the property described in section 1 of this resolve. The board of directors may exercise the