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**131st Legislature (2022-2024)**

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LD 1 / SP0008

An Act to Provide Funding for Winter Emergency Energy Relief and to Finalize the COVID Pandemic Relief Payment Program. Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook. Engrossed Without Reference 12/07/22. Final Disposition: Indefinitely Postponed 04/05/23.

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Gov Mills to talk with lawmakers about heating aid relief plan (David Marino, Jr.) (Bangor Daily News, 11/29/2022, p. B1, B5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD00xx/nc131-LD-0001/BDN 221129B.pdf)

Maine's heating cost relief plan could include \$450 checks (Michael Shepherd and David Marino, Jr.) (Bangor Daily News, 12/5/2022, p. A1, A5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD00xx/nc131-LD-0001/BDN 221203D.pdf)

Talks over heating aid for Mainers to continue (Edward D. Murphy) (Portland Press Herald, 12/5/2022, p. B1, B4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD00xx/nc131-LD-0001/PPH 221203D.pdf)

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Mills proposes energy relief (Cyndi Wook) (Ellsworth American, 12/9/2022, p. Sec. A, p. 1, 11) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD00xx/nc131-LD-0001/Ellsworth American 221208A.pdf)

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Lawmakers must act quickly on heating aid (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 12/12/2022, p. A6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD00xx/nc131-LD-0001/BDN 221210F.pdf)

Emergency heating and housing bill needs GOP Senate support (Jan Dodge) (Free Press, 12/13/2022, p. 2) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD00xx/nc131-LD-0001/Free Press 221213B.pdf)

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