

STATE OF MAINE SENATE 105TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT " A" to S. P. 331, L. D. 978, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Costs of Investigation Where Injunction Is Issued under Unfair Trade Practices Law."

Amend said Bill in the title by inserting after the word "Issued" the words 'and Proceedings by the Attorney General'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 209, amended. Section 209 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 577 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by inserting after the 3rd sentence a new sentence to read as follows: The Attorney General may proceed without notice as required by this section upon a showing of facts by affadavit of immediate irreparable harm to the consumers of the State.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line after the enacting clause the underlined abbreviation and figure 'Sec. 2.'

Statement of Fact

Under the present notice requirements the Attorney General is powerless to seek immediate assistance from the courts under this Act in cases where information is received only days or

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even hours before a potentially fraudulent operation is alleged to begin business. This procedure would be utilized only in emergency situations where irreparable harm will result to the consumers of this State.

Proposed by Senator: Al Atanding NAME:

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