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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 331

In Senate, February 24, 1971

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Katz of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT Relating to Costs of Investigation Where Injunction Is Issued
under Unfair Trade Practices Law.**

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

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 adding at the end a new sentence to read as follows:

In any action under this section where an injunction is issued, the court may order the person against whom the injunction has been issued to pay to the State the costs of the investigation of that person by the Attorney General.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment will allow the State to recover its costs of investigation where an injunction is issued and the court, in its discretion, believes that such a remedy serves the State's interests. The State is presently permitted to seek the cost of its investigation only where the Attorney General enters into an assurance of discontinuance under section 210.