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STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 296, L.D. 386, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish a Solar Water Heater Demonstration Program for Maine Small Businesses."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph from the end and inserting in its place the following:

'Funds will be used to implement a solar water heater demonstration program in accordance with Title 5, section 5005, subsection 1, paragraph G. The Director of the Office of Energy Resources shall provide grants to home builders, home owners, small businesses, schools and hospitals that have installed solar water heating systems after February 7, 1978, or demonstrate intent to install such systems, and meet any other qualifications deemed necessary by the Office of Energy Resources. For the purposes of this Act, small businesses shall be considered all businesses meeting the criteria in United States Code, Title 15, section 636. No person, firm or institution shall be eligible for more than one \$400 grant.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment includes small businesses in the solar water heater demonstration program and creates a retroactive provision for solar systems installed after the date this legislation was introduced.