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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. H-343)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT" # "to H.P. 1077, L.D. 1330, Bill, to "AN ACT/Improve Private Remedies for Violations of the Anti-trust Laws."

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in its place the following: \$1104. Right of action and damages

Any person, including the State or any political subdivision thereof, injured in its his business or property by any other person or corporation by reason of anything forbidden or declared to be unlawful by sections 1101 and 1102, may sue therefor in a civil action and shall recover threefold the damages sustained and costs of suit, including necessary and reasonable investigative costs, reasonable expert's fees and a reasonable attorney fee.

If the State or any political subdivision thereof is injured in its business or property, directly or indirectly, by any other person or corporation by reason of anything forbidden or declared to be unlawful by sections 1101 and 1102, it may sue therefor in a civil action and shall recover threefold the damages sustained and costs of suit, including necessary and reasonable investigative costs, reasonable expert's fees and a reasonable attorney fee.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to give to the State alone the legal standing to sue for damages indirectly resulting from antitrust violations.

Reported by the Committee on Business Legislation Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.
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