

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-430) 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT" A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT" A" to H.P. 1149, L.D. 1416, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify the Authority of the Public Utilities Commission in the Enforcement of Rebate Orders."

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Amend the amendment by inserting at the end of the last paragraph before the statement of fact the following sentences: 'The customer shall attempt to settle any dispute concerning the alleged overcharge or billing error at an informal hearing with the utility company prior to filing a complaint with the commission. If the customer is dissatisfied with the utility company decision, the customer may appeal the decision to the commission. The commission shall not order a rebate for a billing error or excessive charge that antedates the order by more than 6 years.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment requires the customer to attempt to settle the problem with the utility prior to appealing to the Public Utilities Commission for a decision. The bill prohibits the commission from ordering a rebate for a period that antedates the commission order for more than 6 years.

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