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Rule 24.	omitted by the Office of the Public erence to the Committee on Sta	
	ed by Representative Vose of sor: Representative Weymouth	
	STATE OF MA	INE
	IN THE YEAR OF C NINETEEN HUNDRED A	
	N ACT to Allow the Chairman he Public Utilities Commission Examiners.	
Be it er	nacted by the People of the St	tate of Maine as follows:
§1, is	c. 1. 35 MRSA §299, as amen further amended by adding tences to read:	
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Sec. 2. 35 MRSA §299, 2nd sentence is amended to read:

2 Said In addition, the commission shall have power to appoint, to serve during its pleasure, examiners, who, being 3 first duly sworn, shall have authority to administer oaths, 4 5 examine witnesses, issue subpoenas, require the production 6 of books, accounts, papers, documents and testimony, and 7 receive evidence in any matter under the jurisdiction of the 8 commission, and shall perform such other duties as may be 9 assigned to them.

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## Statement of Fact

11 This bill provides that, in order to encourage the 12 expedition of the Public Utilities Commission procedures and 13 reduce regulatory delays, the chairman of the Public Utili-14 ties Commission would have authority to ensure that a member 15 of the commission participates in important matters brought 16 before the Public Utilities Commission from the outset.