

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 713

7 H.P. 563

House of Representatives, February 10, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities, sent up for concurrence
9 and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

10 Presented by Representative Theriault of Fort Kent.

Cosponsors: Senator Charette of Androscoggin, Representative Carroll of
Limerick and Representative Allen of Washington.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Require Public Power Companies
18 to Amortize the Cost of Disconnected Municipal
19 Street Light Fixtures.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 35 MRSA §97 is enacted to read:

24 §97. Amortization of light fixtures

25 In the event a municipality, as an economy or
26 energy conservation measure, disconnects a street
27 light fixture previously installed by an electrical
28 company for municipal lighting purposes, that munici-
29 pality shall reimburse the electrical company for the
30 value of the unexpended life of the fixture by making
31 payments, amortized over the remaining useful life of
32 the fixture.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 At present, when a municipality disconnects a
3 street lighting fixture, the electrical power company
4 requires a lump sum payment for the remaining value
5 of the fixture. This places an undue burden on the
6 municipality and creates a barrier to conservation.
7 The bill requires that payment be amortized over the
8 remaining useful life of the fixture.

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