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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
114TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 761, L.D. 1986, Bill, "An Act Concerning Public Utilities"

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 1 to 3.

Further amend the bill in section 5 in subsection 6 in the 8th to 11th lines (page 2, lines 8 to 11 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "except that the electric utility may submit a petition for and obtain approval of a proposed line under this section before complying with the provisions of municipal land use and site location" and inserting in its place the following: 'The electric utility may submit a petition for and obtain approval of a proposed transmission line under this section before applying for approval under municipal'

Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

'Sec. 6. Criteria for exemptions pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 4352, subsection 4. The Public Utilities Commission shall adopt rules, no later than January 31, 1991, establishing the criteria the commission shall apply in approving, approving with conditions, or denying approval of a petition for an exemption pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 4352, subsection 4. The commission shall provide notice of these rule-making proceedings to all municipalities. The commission may not take final action on any petition for an exemption pursuant to Title 30-A, section 4352, subsection 4 prior to the adoption of the rules required by this section or January 31, 1991, whichever occurs first.'

Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

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FISCAL NOTE

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The cost of the additional rule-making proceedings can be absorbed by the Public Utilities Commission within its existing budgeted resources.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment deletes sections 1, 2 and 3 of the bill. This amendment amends the language in section 5 of the bill and requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt rules, prior to January 31, 1991, establishing the criteria it will use in approving, with or without conditions, or denying petitions by a utility for exemptions from local zoning ordinances.

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Reported by Senator Pray for the Committee on Utilities.
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