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ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 132ND LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 119, L.D. 186, "An Act to Clarify the Public Utilities Commission's Authority to Establish Time-of-use Pricing for Standard-offer Service"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

Sec. 3. Public Utilities Commission; time-of-use rates updates. The Public Utilities Commission shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over utilities and energy matters that describes the process for participation in a commission proceeding and includes any other relevant information as determined by the commission:

1. Upon issuance of a report, if a report is issued, in Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 2024-00231; and

2. Prior to the initiation of an adjudicatory proceeding to establish time-of-use rates for the provision of standard-offer service pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3212.

If the Public Utilities Commission submits a report in accordance with subsection 2 prior to the initiation of an adjudicatory proceeding to establish time-of-use rates for the provision of standard-offer service, the report must include a description of how the Public Utilities Commission will consider the potential effects of time-of-use rates on the types of residential customers described in section 4.

Sec. 4. Considerations; time-of-use rates proceeding. In an adjudicatory proceeding to establish time-of-use rates for the provision of standard-offer service pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3212, the Public Utilities Commission shall consider the impact of time-of-use rates and seek to avoid negative impacts of time-of-use rates on:

1. Residential customers who rely on life support systems;

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1 2. Residential customers who receive assistance from the State due to a medical
2 condition and are participants in Central Maine Power's Electricity Lifeline Program or
3 Versant Power's LifeLight Program or successor programs;

4 3. Residential customers who are senior citizens; and

5 4. Economically vulnerable residential customers.'

6 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
7 number to read consecutively.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This amendment adds 2 additional sections to the bill to require that the Public Utilities
10 Commission submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having
11 jurisdiction over utilities and energy matters upon the issuance of a report in a commission
12 docket related to time-of-use rates and prior to the initiation of an adjudicatory proceeding
13 to establish time-of-use rates for the provision of standard-offer service in accordance with
14 the provisions of the bill. It also directs the commission, in such an adjudicatory
15 proceeding, to consider the impact of time-of-use rates and seek to avoid the negative
16 impacts of such rates on certain residential customers.

17 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

18 (See attached)



Approved: 04/10/25 **LRL**

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Public Utilities Commission from the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.