

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
**Business Legislation**

BILL SUMMARY



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(BUSINESS PRACTICES, Miscellaneous Business Practices, continued)

<u>LD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
461	AN ACT CONCERNING TELEVISION RECEIVING EQUIPMENT	BAKER HIGGINS, L	ONTP

SUMMARY: Governs warranties on televisions, radios and other audio-visual equipment; requires fair reimbursement to repair technicians; requires adequate supplies and service information; requires maintenance of in-state repair facilities.

CROSS-REFERENCE: LD 898.

462	AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE COMMERCIAL SALE OF CHAIN SAWS AND SKIDDERS NOT EQUIPPED WITH SPARK ARRESTERS	KEISMAN REDMOND MASTERMAN MCBREIARTY	(OTPA) PL1983,c.104
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SUMMARY: Prohibits commercial sale of chain saws and skidders without spark arrestors, due to fire hazard.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-61): Limits bill to skidders only. (S. Adopted; H. Indef. postponed; bill passed without C "A")

520	AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNFAIR COMPETITION FROM THE STATE IN VIDEO PRODUCTIONS	CLARK, N	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: Prohibits use of video equipment, facilities and personnel of MPBN and public schools, VTI's, etc. from being used in competition with private video enterprises.

718	AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES LAW	MITCHELL, E REEVES, P HAYDEN VIOLETTE	(ONTP - 9) (OTPN(1567)-4) S:Adh. Indef. PP (H:Acc.Min.Rpt.)
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SUMMARY: Seeks to allow recovery of damages in a claim for an unfair trade practice.

898	AN ACT TO REQUIRE MANUFACTURERS SELLING WARRANTED PRODUCTS IN MAINE TO MAINTAIN IN-STATE REPAIR FACILITIES	MINKOWSKY MELENDY HAYES CROWLEY	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: Governs warranties on consumer products costing \$100 or more; requires in-state service facilities, reasonable reimbursement for warranty work, adequate supplies of parts and service information, deadlines for extended repair periods, and remedies, including price reductions and unfair trade practice.

CROSS-REFERENCE: LD 461.