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BILL SUMMARIES
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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC UTILITIES
BILL SUMMARY



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<u>LD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	(Committee Report) <u>DISPOSITION</u>
1904	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO RETURN TO FIRM CUSTOMERS THE PROFITS FROM SALES OF GAS TO INTERRUPTIBLE USERS	Baker Handy Pouliot Brannigan	OTP-ND See LD 2088

SUMMARY: Present law allows sales of gas to interruptible (i.e., non-firm) users at a discount below the year-round average rate normally charged. The bill allows the PUC to flow through the profits (if any) in such sales to reduce the rates of all customers.

1905	AN ACT ALLOWING REVENUES FROM INTERRUPTIBLE GAS SALES TO BE CREDITED TO THE COST OF GAS	McGowan Ridley Handy	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: Present law allows sales of gas to interruptible (i.e., non-firm) customers at a discount below the year-round average rate normally charged. The bill would allow PUC to include sales of gas to interruptible customers when they reconcile the actual fuel costs with the estimated fuel costs used to establish base gas rates.

1927	AN ACT TO CLARIFY PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES INSIDER LAW	Kany Baker Ridley Paradis,E.	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: The bill amends the law requiring reports to the PUC regarding insider transactions so that the penalty would apply to all violataions, rather than just violations that are willful.

1949	AN ACT ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE DISCONNECTION AND DEPOSIT REGULATIONS OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION	Baker Mayo Baldacci Matthews,Z.	OTP-ND See LD 2288
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SUMMARY: The bill would permit the PUC to impose a fine of not more than \$500 for a utility which violates the deposit and disconnection regulations established by the Commission.

1962	AN ACT RELATING TO THE PLACEMENT OF POLES BY UTILITIES	Violette Soule Robinson	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: The bill would limit the right of injured persons to sue a utility for damages resulting from improper installation, location or maintenance of utility facilities.