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BILL SUMMARIES  
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STATE OF MAINE  
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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>
2223	AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTERS OF VARIOUS SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS ORGANIZED UNDER THE PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS, INCLUDING THE PARIS UTILITY DISTRICT		P&SL 1983, C. 80 Cmte(35 MRSA @3227) (38 MRSA @1253) OTP

SUMMARY: The bill amends the charter of the Paris Utility District to conform with the revised statutes on trustees compensation, and makes other technical changes.

2288	AN ACT ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE DIS- CONNECTION AND DEPOSIT REGU- LATIONS OF THE PUBLIC UTILI- TIES COMMISSION		PL 1983, C. 683 ND OF LD 1949
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SUMMARY: The new draft authorizes PUC to bring a complaint before the Administrative Court for willful or reckless violation of PUC rules. That court may impose fines, but may not revoke any license of the utility.

2290	AN ACT RELATING TO ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY SANITARY DIS- TRICTS		PL 1983, C. 684 ND OF LD 2010
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SUMMARY: The new draft exempts notes in anticipation of the receipt of approved federal or state grants from the general notice provisions of law. It also exempts projects from the voter-initiated referendum provision, to the extent approved for federal or State funding under the Clean Water Act.

2317	AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE WINTHROP WATER DISTRICT	Davis	P&SL 1983, C. 91 OTP-A CA H-634
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SUMMARY: The bill would eliminate a requirement to advertise bond issues in a Boston newspaper.  
Committee Amendment "A" (adopted) dropped the emergency clause and eliminated as outdated any specific charter requirement for newspaper notice of bond issues.

2323	AN ACT TO CLARIFY UTILITY FINANCING OF ENERGY CONSER- VATION		PL 1983, C. 723 ND OF LD 1828
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SUMMARY: The new draft establishes procedures for immediately compensating utilities for the reasonable costs of participating in energy conservation projects. It also requires PUC to adopt the federal P.U.R.P.A. standards, or give reasons why not. And, it also requires a special rate schedule for users who install load management devices.