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# ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 718

House of Representatives, February 22, 1967

Referred to Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Starbird of Kingman Township.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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### **AN ACT Authorizing Public Utilities Commission to Require the Interchange of Electric Energy.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**R. S., T. 35, § 2304, amended.** The first 2 sentences of the last paragraph of section 2304 of Title 35 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 446 of the public laws of 1965, are amended to read as follows:

The Public Utilities Commission, in the interest of public convenience and necessity, is empowered to order any company which is municipally, cooperative-ly or privately owned and which is principally engaged in the manufacture, transmission, distribution or sale of electricity directly to the public or to be used ultimately by the public for lighting, heating or power to temporarily transport electric energy over its transmission or distribution facilities at a reasonable charge and in such manner as the commission shall direct when such transmission will alleviate an electric power shortage within this State which exists by reason of an emergency. Whenever the commission, upon its own motion or upon application of any such company, after due notice to all interested parties and an opportunity for a hearing, makes findings based upon substantial evidence that an emergency exists and that such action is necessary and appropriate in the public interest, which action is not detrimental to the interests of investors and consumers, it may by order direct such company to establish physical connection of its transmission or distribution facilities with the facilities of one or more other such company to sell energy to, to exchange energy with, to transmit or distribute energy for any other such company or companies for a temporary period provided that the commission shall have no authority to compel any such company to sell, exchange, transmit or distribute energy when to do so would impair its ability to render adequate service to its customers or would require it to enlarge its generating facilities for such purposes.