

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 418

House of Representatives, February 3, 1971

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Relating to Notice of Hearings before the Administrative Hearing  
Commissioner.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 2403, sub-§ 1, amended.** The 3rd sentence of subsection 1 of section 2403 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The copy of the complaint must be served at least ~~30~~ 15 days before the time specified for the hearing, except as provided in section 2404.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 5, § 2404, amended.** The first sentence of section 2404 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The Hearing Commissioner may require that a hearing be held in a contested case in less than ~~30~~ 15 days after service of the complaint if either party on ex parte motion is able to show that an emergency exists which makes immediate action imperative.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill is intended to shorten the period between bringing a complaint and a hearing. This will provide for speedier hearings for the parties involved.