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### ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 1010

H. P. 749

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Carter of Winslow.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Determination of Just and Reasonable Utility Rates by Public Utilities Commission.

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

R. S., T. 35, § 51, amended. Section 51 of Title 35 of the Revised Statutes, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

In determining such rates the commission shall not take into consideration, as an allowable item of cost, any expenditure incurred, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of influencing legislation either in the State Legislature or the Federal Congress of the United States.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to exclude from the Public Utilities Commission's determination of just and reasonable rates the expenditures for influencing legislation on the state or federal level.