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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1551

S. P. 484

In Senate, March 22, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, subsequently on Motion of Senator
Berry of Cumberland, reference reconsidered and referred to the Committee
on Business Legislation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary Presented by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Rules and Regulations Promulgated under the Unfair Trade Practices Act.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 207, sub-§ 2, amended. Subsection 2 of section 207 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 577 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

Evidence of a violation of a rule or regulation made by the Attorney General shall constitute prima facie evidence of an act or practice declared to be unlawful by this chapter in any action thereafter brought under this chapter.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill would serve to strengthen the effect of rules and regulations promulgated by the Attorney General to curtail deceptive trade practices affecting Maine consumers.