

# ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

# Legislative Document

### No. 1553

#### S. P. 486

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 Assurances of Discontinuance under the Unfair Trade Practices Act.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 210, amended. Section 210 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 a new sentence to read as follows:

Evidence of a violation of such assurance 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 aid the enforcement of assurances of discontinuance which are entered into by the Attorney General and business entities involved in deceptive trade practices.