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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
107TH LEGISLATURE

(Filing No. H-465)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to HP 1019, L.D. 1298, BILL, "AN ACT
Establishing a Consumer Complaint Office within the Public Utilities
Commission."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting
clause and inserting in place thereof:

'Sec. 1. 35 MRSA §16 is enacted to read:

§16. Office of Consumer Complaints

1. Office established. There is established within the
Public Utilities Commission an Office of Consumer Complaints which
shall aid consumers of public utility services with complaints and
problems that they may have with any public utility furnishing
them services.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the
General Fund to the Public Utilities Commission, Office of Con-
sumer Complaints, the sum of \$23,000 to carry out the purposes of
this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	<u>1975-76</u>	<u>1976-77</u>
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION		
Office of Consumer Complaints		
Personal Services	(1) \$10,000	(1)\$11,000
All Other	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	\$11,000	\$12,000'

Statement of Fact

This amendment takes out some language of the original bill
which would have caused problems in implementing the bill if passed.
It also reduces and clarifies the appropriation.

COMMITTEE MAENDMENT " A" to H.P. 1019, L.D. 1298, Bill,
AN ACT Establishing a Consumer Complaint Office within the Public
Utilities Commission.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Public Utilities.

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