

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 795

H. P. 651

House of Representatives, March 8, 1977

On motion of Mr. Kelleher of Bangor, referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Burns of Anson.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Repeal the Annual Dam Registration.

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

12 MRSA § 303, 1st ¶, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 542, is amended to read:

Any person, other than State and Federal Governments, owning or operating any dam shall ~~annually~~ register with the commission, on forms provided by the commission ~~on or before the first day of January of each calendar year~~. Such registration shall require that the owner or operator provide to the commission such information as may be reasonably required by it to perform the duties required by this Act. The ~~annual~~ fee for such registration shall be \$10. Said fee to be used by the commission for administration of the Act. Any dam not registered pursuant to this section shall be deemed abandoned under chapter 5.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to eliminate the requirement for annual registration of dams and require registration only once for each owner. Annual registration presents a great hardship to small water companies.