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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-339)
108TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 718, L.D. 840, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Augusta Sanitary District."

in section 2
Amend the Bill/by striking out all of that part designated
in its place
"Sec. 13." and inserting/the following:

'Sec. 13. Sanitary provisions and penalty for violation. Any person who violates the provisions of this section or sections 14 and 15, or who shall place or discharge any offensive or injurious matter or material on or into the conduits, catch-basins or receptacles of said district contrary to its regulations, or shall willfully injure any conduit, pipe, reservoir, flush tank, catch-basin, inlet, manhole, outlet, engine, pump or other property held, owned or used by said district for the purposes of this act, shall be liable to pay twice the amount of the damages to said district, to be recovered in any proper action; and such person, on conviction of either of said acts of willful injury aforesaid, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$100.'

Statement of Fact

The intent of this amendment is to restrict the severe penalties imposed by the bill. According to the bill, any per-

son who violates any provision of the charter of the Augusta Sanitary District or the rules and regulations of the Sanitary District could be fined \$200 or be imprisoned for 6 months. This amendment removes the penalties for violations of rules and regulations and restricts the penalties to violations of sections 13, 14 and 15 of the Charter. A person, unknowingly could violate a district rule or regulation and be punished by a fine or by imprisonment under the bill.

Reported by the Committee on Public Utilities.

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