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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1541

H. P. 1303

House of Representatives, April 12, 1977
On motion of Ms. Clark of Freeport, referred to Committee on Business
Legislation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Tierney of Lisbon Falls.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Concerning Recovery of Damages by the Consumer.

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

- 5 MRSA § 213, sub-§ 1-A is enacted to read:
- r-A. Damages. In addition to the remedies described in this section, any person who suffers a loss of money or property, real or personal, as a result of the use or employment by another of a method, act or practice declared to be an unfair method of competition or unfair or deceptive act or practice by statute, regulation, decree of a court of this State or of the federal system or by Federal Trade Commission rule, guide or decree, may recover damages and, further, may recover treble damages if the method, act or practice was engaged in willfully.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to allow the consumer to recover damages in certain specific circumstances.