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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
108th LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1553, L.D. 1774, Bill, "AN ACT to Encourage Energy Conservation by Means of Reform of Utility Rate Designs."

Amend the bill by striking out all of that part designated "§94." and inserting in its place the following:

'§94. The Public Utilities Commission shall require the necessary improvements

The Public Utilities Commission shall mandate, after notice and hearing on the proposed schedule, a scheduled phasing-in of the improvements in electric utility rate design and related regulatory programs approved under section 93 and is authorized to order utilities to develop and implement electric utility rate design improvements approved by the commission on temporary, pilot and experimental basis, affecting either a portion or all of any class of consumers of any utility as the commission may determine is appropriate to carry out the purposes of this Act, and order other energy conservation techniques, programs and innovations relating to electric public utility service that, in the commission's judgment, are practicable, just and reasonably related to fulfilling the purposes of this chapter. In ordering any rate design improvements, the commission shall consider and assure the revenue requirements of the utility.'

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Statement of Fact

This amendment makes 2 changes in the bill. The first is that before the Public Utilities Commission adopts or orders a change in an electric utility tariff, it is required to hold a hearing and it also provides that in making changes in the tariff, it must assure the revenue requirements of the utility in order to avoid unnecessary rate cases resulting from any temporary or experimental tariffs.

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