

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-284)  
109TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" TO H.P. 1186, L.D. 1459, Bill,  
"AN ACT to Authorize the State to Provide Technical Assistance  
and Legal Assistance to Recipients of Wastewater and Con-  
struction Grants."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the last paragraph  
and inserting in its place the following:

'Whenever any state funds have been disbursed pursuant to  
section 411 or 412, the state, acting through the Attorney  
General, shall have a direct right of action against the re-  
cipient thereof, or any contractor, sub contractor, architect,  
engineer or manufacturer of any equipment purchased with these  
funds, to recover the funds, as well as any federal funds ad-  
ministered by the department for the same purposes, which may  
be properly awarded as actual damages in an action alleging  
negligence or breach of contract.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment will allow the state acting through the  
Attorney General to assist communities in enforcing  
contracts funded by state and federal grants and where necessary  
to bring applicable civil court proceedings.