

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 77

House of Representatives, January 6, 1981

Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Ms. Brown of Gorham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

**AN ACT to Establish a Standard of Type for Governmental Use to Assure
Readability of Published Information.**

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

1 MRSA § 501-A, as amended by PL 1975, c. 746, § 1, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Any such publication shall be printed using no less than 8-point type.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require state agencies and committees to use 8-point type in their publications. Five and 1/2-point and 6-point type are not adequate. Eight-point type is used by newspapers and is considered to be standard type throughout the country.