

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 724

S. P. 255

In Senate, February 9, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Devoe of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Clarify the Law Concerning the Measurement of the One-Year Period
Following a Public Utility's Filing for a Rate Increase.**

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

35 MRSA § 295, 2nd sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

No change thereafter may be made by any public utility, except a water company, in any such rates, tolls or charges or in any joint rate or rates within one year from the date on which such order was issued, without the approval of the commission. In the case of a water company, no such change may be made within one year after the date the proceeding was commenced.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Title 35, section 295, is presently ambiguous. The purpose of this bill is to make it clear that no water company may file for a rate increase within one year from the date of its previous filing.