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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-689)
110TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1956, L.D. 1929, Bill,
"AN ACT to Encourage Fuel Diversity by Increased Use of
Natural Gas."

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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1.

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Further amend the bill in section 2 by striking out all
of the first underlined paragraph.

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Further amend the bill in section 2 in the 2nd under-
lined paragraph by striking out in the first line (page 2,
line 34 in L.D.) the underlined words "natural gas distribu-
tor" and inserting in their place the underlined words 'gas
company'

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Further amend the bill in section 2 in the 2nd under-
lined paragraph by striking out in the 6th line (page 2,
line 39 in L.D.) the underlined word "distributor" and
inserting in its place the underlined words 'gas company'

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Further amend the bill by striking out all of section
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Further amend the bill in section 5 by striking out all
of subsections 2 and 3 and inserting in their place the fol-
lowing:

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'2. Unserved areas. For areas of the State not likely
to be served by natural gas within the next 5 years, the
commission shall give public notice inviting applications
for authority to serve in those areas.'

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Further amend the bill in section 6 in subsection 1 in
the last line (page 4, line 28 in L.D.) by inserting after
the word "and" the following: 'a staff member designated
by'

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Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to

1 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1956, L.D. 1929

2 read consecutively.

3 STATEMENT OF FACT

4 In view of the substantial progress made by the State
5 in stimulating interest by the present distributor of natu-
6 ral gas in providing service to unserved areas, the sunset
7 date on new franchises and termination date on inactive
8 existing franchises is deleted. The Public Utilities Com-
9 mission will still review distribution service and a joint
10 select committee of the Legislature will continue oversight.
11 The Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission has been
12 replaced on that committee by a staff member.

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