

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 908

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7 H.P. 717

House of Representatives, February 28, 1983

8 Submitted by the Office of Public Advocate pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
9 Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence
and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

10 Presented by Representative Baker of Portland.

Cosponsors: Representative Vose of Eastport, Senator Baldacci of
Penobscot and Senator Kany of Kennebec.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Clarify the Fuel Charges of
18 Electric Utilities.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 35 MRSA §131, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1979, c.
23 643, §2, is further amended to read:

24 4. Scope of adjustment. Changes in the cost of
25 fuel consumed in the electric utility's generating
26 stations and changes in the cost of power purchased
27 by the electric utility for use in Maine shall con-
28 stitute the only items subject to adjustment, pur-
29 suant to regulations promulgated by the commission
30 under this section. Those changes in the cost of pur-
31 chased power which are subject to that adjustment
32 shall exclude all capacity charges, except that, to
33 the extent the commission deems just and reasonable,
34 capacity charges for power purchased from small power

1 producers or cogenerators, as defined in section
2 2323, may be included in the adjustment. Credits
3 received by the utility for fuel or the fuel compo-
4 nent of either purchased power or power sold to other
5 utilities, including credits associated with pur-
6 chased energy received both sales and purchases of
7 energy from the savings fund of the New England Power
8 Exchange, shall be considered changes in the cost of
9 fuel for the purposes of the fuel cost adjustment,
10 pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commission
11 under this section.

12 STATEMENT OF FACT

13 This bill establishes that credits received by
14 Maine electric utilities for power sold to the New
15 England Power Exchange will be accounted for in
16 establishing fuel costs for their customers.

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