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	(EMERGENCY) FIRST REGULAR SESSION
ONE	HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
Legislative Docu	ment No. 977
H.P. 691	House of Representatives, March 8, 1985
Referred to the ordered printed.	e Committee on Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and
	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
	esentative Clark of Millinocket.  by Representative Beaulieu of Portland and Representative
	STATE OF MAINE
	IN THE VEND OF OUR LODD
NII	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
	CT to Delay Implementation of New ephone Systems Pending Further Study.
lature do i	preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis- not become effective until 90 days after unless enacted as emergencies; and
proved the	the Public Utilities Commission has ap- institution of local measured telephone ming July 1, 1985; and
	a change in telephone service of this de requires extensive study prior to its on; and
	to the expiration of the 90-day period legislation is enacted as emergency leg-

1 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of 3 the Constitution of Maine and require the following 4 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-5 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 6 therefore,

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- 7 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 8 follows:
- 9 Sec. 1. Mandatory measured telephone 10 implementation delayed. No telephone company may institute mandatory measuring of local telephone calls 11 12 for any class of customers prior to July 1, 1987. 13 Any order or opinion of the Public Utilities Commis-14 sion now in effect which permits mandatory measuring is nullified. 15
- 16 Sec. 2. Study. The Joint Standing Committee 17 Utilities shall study the issue of mandatory measured 18 telephone service, including the feasibility, reason-19 ableness and cost to the customers of this service. 20 The study shall include public hearings on the issues 21 studied by the committee.
- 22 Sec. 3. Report. The committee shall report its 23 findings and recommendations, together with any im-24 plementing legislation, to the First Regular Session 25 of the 113th Legislature.
- 26 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited 27 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-28 proved.

## 29 STATEMENT OF FACT

30 The purpose of this bill is to delay implementa-31 tion of local measured telephone service and to direct that the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities 32 shall study the ramifications of instituting this 33 34 service.

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