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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

	Legislative Document		No. 319	
	S.P. 120	In Senate, F	ebruary l	0, 1987
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	AN ACT to Help Farmers Reduce Their Electric Bills.			
!	Be it enacted by the People of follows:	the State	of Maine	as
•	Appropriation. The follow ated from the General Fund to of this Act.	ing funds a carry out	re appro the purp	pri- oses
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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides funds for a program to help farmers who may be affected by the new Public Utilities Commission electricity rate redesign. This pro-gram would analyze farmers' electricity bills and en-7 ergy use, advise them on the best metering system, small business or residential, for their situations, 8 9.. and give the farmers a new meter if needed. program would also offer free on-site testing of far-10 mers electricity use by a sophisticated metering de-11 vice to determine the most promising areas for energy 12 efficiency improvements. This program provides fund-13 ing for an energy engineer working specifically on 14 15 farmers' energy issues for the 2-year life of the 16 program.

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