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Reference to the Committee on Utilities suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RICHARD of Madison.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Concerning the Regulatory Treatment of Consumer-owned Electric Utilities.



1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
3	35-A MRSA §3504, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6,
5	is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
	§3504. Treatment of certain small consumer-owned electric
7	<u>utilities</u>
9	1. Exemption. Upon request of a consumer-owned electric
	utility of not more than 150 customers, the commission may exempt
11	the utility from any of the requirements of any commission rules
	and this Title, with the exception of sections 3502 and 3503.
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	Rulemaking considerations. The commission shall take
15	into account the form of governance of consumer-owned electric
	utilities when promulgating rules and shall state in any notice
L7	of proposed rulemaking relating to those utilities what
	consideration has been given to the ability of those utilities to
19	regulate matters covered under their own authority and, in
	promulgating those rules, shall not impose unreasonable
21	requirements on consumer-owned electric utilities.
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25	STATEMENT OF FACT
27	The purpose of this bill is to provide for Public Utilities
	Commission consideration of the ability of the elected boards of
29	consumer-owned electric utilities to deal with certain matters
	under their own authority.
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