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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 936, L.D. 1304, Bill, "An Act to Promote Energy Conservation and Load Management by Electric Utilities"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'35-A MRSa §3153-A, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Implementation of rebate structures. The Public Utilities Commission may require an electric utility to implement rebate structures for installation or upgrade of an electric service entrance to encourage energy efficient buildings and discourage energy inefficient buildings. In designing these programs, the commission shall give due consideration to safety.

**FISCAL NOTE**

The Public Utilities Commission could incur some minor additional administrative expenses to implement the proposed rebate structures. The costs can be absorbed within existing budget resources.'

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

The amendment removes the proposal to grant authority to the Public Utilities Commission to impose special fees on electric utility customers who install a new or upgrade an existing electrical service entrance. It retains the prohibition in existing law against charging hookup fees in excess of the cost of installing the service. The intent of the amendment is to give the Public Utilities Commission the option of providing incentive rebates for energy efficient buildings but not to impose additional fees for installing electricity.

The amendment also eliminates a 2nd part of the original

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1 bill which would have prohibited utilities from including in  
their rate base any costs associated with promoting electric  
3 heating systems.

5 Finally, the amendment adds a fiscal note.

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