

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 893

H.P. 623

House of Representatives, February 28, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Utilities suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

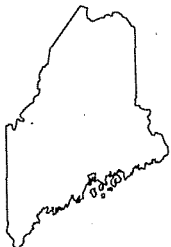
Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

Cosponsored by Senator CARPENTER of York, Senator VOSE of Washington and Representative MORRISON of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act Concerning Utility Projects in an Existing Right-of-Way.



Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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4 38 MRSA §488, first ¶, as amended by PL 1977, c. 374, §4, is further amended to read:

6 This ~~Article shall~~ article does not apply to any development
8 in existence or in possession of applicable state or local
10 licenses to operate or under construction on January 1, 1970, or
12 to any development the construction and operation of which has
14 been specifically authorized by the Legislature prior to May 9,
16 1970, ~~or;~~ nor to public service corporation transmission lines,
18 except transmission lines carrying 100 kilovolts or more; ~~nor~~
20 ~~shall it apply~~ to the renewal or revision of leases of parcels of
land upon which a structure or structures have been located as of
March 15, 1972; ~~nor~~ to the rebuilding or reconstruction of
natural gas pipelines ~~or transmission lines~~ within the same
right-of-way; nor to the rebuilding, reconstruction or upgrading
of public service corporation transmission lines within the same
right-of-way, whether or not those transmission lines are capable
of operating at 100 kilovolts or more.

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24 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

26 This bill amends the permitting and licensing processes of
28 the Department of Environmental Protection by allowing expedited
review of utility projects that are to be located within an
existing right-of-way.