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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 713, L.D. 970, Bill, "An Act to Establish Qualifications for Public Utilities Commissioners"

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of the first line (page 1, line 3 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §105, sub-§§3 to 5 are enacted to read:'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in paragraph A in the last line (page 1, line 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "State." and inserting in its place the following: 'State; and'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 by striking out all of paragraphs C and D.

Further amend the bill in section 1 by inserting at the end the following:

'5. General makeup of the commission. At all times, there must be a diversity of backgrounds and skills represented on the commission.'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the first line (page 1, line 44 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "relation" and inserting in its place the following: 'relation relationship'

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2 Further amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 4 in the  
3 next to the last line (page 2, line 16 in L.D.) by inserting  
4 after the following: "income" the following: 'from which the  
5 commissioner or prospective commissioner has received more than  
6 \$1,000'

8 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

10 This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing  
11 Committee on Utilities and Energy and makes certain changes to  
12 clarify the language of the bill. The amendment strikes the  
13 provision of the bill requiring Public Utilities Commission  
14 commissioners to be of good character, compassionate and possess  
15 common sense. The amendment changes the portion of the bill  
16 requiring financial disclosures by Public Utilities Commission  
17 commissioners to require disclosures only of sources of income  
18 from which the commissioners receive more than \$1,000.