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**UTILITIES AND ENERGY**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
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119TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 405, L.D. 1194, Bill, "An Act to Expand the Basic Service Calling Area in Certain Rural Areas"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, Relating to Basic Service Calling Areas'**

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

**'Sec. 1. Examination of issues; report. Resolved:** That the Public Utilities Commission shall undertake an examination of single-exchange, flat-rate, basic service calling areas and shall develop proposals for expanding those areas. The commission shall report its findings and proposals to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy by January 1, 2000. The Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy may report out legislation concerning basic service calling areas to the Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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The Public Utilities Commission will incur some minor additional costs to examine certain types of calling areas, develop proposals to expand the areas and report to the Legislature. These costs can be absorbed within the commission's existing budgeted resources.'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment also replaces the title to more accurately reflect the bill as amended and changes the bill to a resolve. The amendment directs the Public Utilities Commission to undertake an examination of single-exchange, flat-rate, basic service calling areas and to develop proposals for expanding those areas. The commission must report its findings and proposals to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy by January 1, 2000. The amendment authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy to report out legislation concerning basic service calling areas to the Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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