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An Act To Reduce the Electric Bill of Persons Requiring Daily Use of Electric Oxygenators

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and
Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, BLISS of South Portland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3104** is enacted to read:

6 **§3104. Charges when oxygen pump used**

8 A person who for health reasons must use an electric oxygen
10 pump for a minimum of 8 hours a day every day may submit
12 documentation from a doctor attesting to that fact to the
14 commission in an application to direct that person's transmission
16 and distribution utility and competitive service provider to
18 remove from that person's bill the amount attributable to the
20 cost of serving the electric oxygen pump. The commission by rule
22 shall establish procedures to implement this section. Rules
24 adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as
26 defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

18 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill allows a person who uses an electric oxygen pump
22 for a minimum of 8 hours a day every day to apply to the Public
24 Utilities Commission to direct that person's transmission and
26 distribution utility and competitive electricity provider to
remove from that person's bill the amount attributable to the
cost of serving the electric oxygen pump.

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