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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 122ND LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 300, L.D. 397, Bill, "An Act To Promote the More Efficient Use of Natural Gas"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "S4711." in subsection 1 by striking out all of the first underlined sentence (page 1, lines 7 to 11 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'In accordance with rules adopted by the commission, each natural gas utility in the State that serves 5,000 or more residential consumers shall offer cost-effective conservation programs designed to promote the efficient use of natural gas.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "S4711." in subsection 1 by striking out all of paragraph B and inserting in its place the following:

'B. The gas utility shall apportion available funds under subsection 3 in accordance with rules adopted by the commission.'

(1) The commission shall ensure that a reasonable percentage of the available funds is directed to programs for low-income residential consumers, as defined by the commission by rule. The commission shall establish the percentage based on an assessment of the opportunity for cost-effective conservation measures for such consumers, including an assessment of the number of low-income residential consumers that may be eligible for such programs.

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business" and to consider definitions of that term used for other
2 programs that assist small businesses.

4 2. It changes the funding level for conservation programs
so that it is calculated using delivery revenues rather than
6 total revenues.

8 3. It clarifies some language of the bill.

10 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
12 **(See attached)**

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An Act To Promote the More Efficient Use of Natural Gas

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A*

Committee: Utilities and Energy

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds