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Date: 4/1/08

L.D. 2269  
(Filing No. H-893)

**UTILITIES AND ENERGY**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
123RD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT <sup>A</sup> to H.P. 1632, L.D. 2269, Bill, "An Act To Strengthen Maine's Consumer Protections against "Slamming""

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph A in the 4th and 5th lines (page 1, lines 7 and 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "without the customer's express authorization and"

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph A in the 5th line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "is" the following: 'expressly authorized by the customer as'

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph A in subparagraph (3) (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "authorization" the following: 'of the customer'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2.

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 6 in the first line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "commission" and inserting the following: 'Public Advocate'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment clarifies the provision of the bill that prohibits a local or intrastate interexchange carrier of telecommunications services from initiating a change of a customer's carrier without the customer's express authorization. The amendment removes the provision of the bill that prohibits such a carrier from misrepresenting its identity or services when conversing with potential customers and removes the provision of the bill that requires that the carrier make and retain audio recordings of telephone conversations with customers who authorize a change of carriers. The amendment changes the customer education portion of the bill to require the Public Advocate rather than the Public Utilities Commission to provide the customer education.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 2269

LR 3560(02)

**An Act To Strengthen Maine's Consumer Protections against "Slamming"**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"**  
**Committee: Utilities and Energy**  
**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs associated with this legislation can be absorbed by the Office of the Public Advocate and the Public Utilities Commission utilizing existing budgeted resources.