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L.D. 1643
(Filing No. H-618)

UTILITIES AND ENERGY

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
124TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1171, L.D. 1643, Bill, "An Act To Facilitate the Involvement of the Office of the Public Advocate in the FairPoint Communications Bankruptcy Case"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC ADVOCATE

Public Advocate 0410

Initiative: Provides an allocation for expenditures anticipated in FairPoint Communications bankruptcy proceedings for retention of outside counsel and related costs.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$100,000	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1643

LR 2521(02)

An Act To Facilitate the Involvement of the Office of the Public Advocate in the FairPoint Communications Bankruptcy Case

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

Committee: Utilities and Energy

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2009-10	2010-11	Projections 2011-12	Projections 2012-13
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

All telecommunications entities already subject to an assessment under Maine Revised Statutes Title 35-A, Section 116, Sub-Section 8 are subjected to an additional one-time assessment on their intrastate gross operating revenues sufficient to produce \$100,000. The bill includes an allocation of \$100,000 to the Office of the Public Advocate to be used for bankruptcy counsel and related costs for the FairPoint Communications bankruptcy proceedings in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York.