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STATE OF MAINE

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126TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 310, L.D. 885, Bill, "An Act To Remove Obsolete Provisions of the Electric Industry Restructuring Laws"

Amend the bill by inserting before section 1 the following:

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3202, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

8. Separate charges. A person who provides electric billing and metering services shall issue bills that clearly separate the charges for generation services and the charges for transmission and distribution services if charges for both types of services appear on the same bill.

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting the following:

Sec. 3. Transfer of funds. The Public Utilities Commission shall transfer any remaining balance in the Public Utilities Commission Consumer Education Fund, established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, former section 3213, subsection 3, to the Office of the Public Advocate for the purposes of consumer education relating to the electricity industry.

Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

PUBLIC ADVOCATE

Public Advocate 0410

Initiative: Provides an allocation to the Office of the Public Advocate to allow expenditures for consumer education relating to the electricity industry.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2013-14	2014-15
All Other	\$748	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<hr/> \$748	<hr/> \$0

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 310, L.D. 885

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

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This amendment retains a provision of law repealed in the bill that requires
5 generation service and transmission and distribution service charges to appear separately
6 on an electricity bill and directs any funds remaining in the Public Utilities Commission
7 Consumer Education Fund to be transferred to the Office of the Public Advocate for the
8 purposes of consumer education.

9 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

10 **(See attached)**



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LD 885

LR 503(02)

An Act To Remove Obsolete Provisions of the Electric Industry Restructuring Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-52)
Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Projections FY 2015-16	Projections FY 2016-17
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$748	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfers				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The consumer education program related to the implementation of competition in the retail electricity markets and the impact on consumers has ended. This bill transfers the remaining balance of \$747.96 in the Public Utilities Commission Consumer Education Fund to the Office of Public Advocate and allocates that amount for consumer education related to the electricity industry.