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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 427

House of Representatives, March 19, 1923.

Reported by Mr. Heal from Committee on Public Utilities and ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Amend Section Thirty of Chapter Fifty-five of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Preference or Rebate as to Rates for Service.

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

Section thirty of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes

- 2 is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and
- 3 inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sect. 30. No preference or rebate as to rates for service.

- 2 It shall be unlawful for any public utility to charge, demand,
- 3 collect or receive a greater or less compensation, except as
- 4 otherwise provided in section thirty-four of this chapter,
- 5 for any service performed by it within the state or for any

6 service in connection therewith, than is specified in such 7 printed schedules, including schedules of joint rates, as may 8 at the time be in force, or to demand, collect or receive 9 any rate, toll or charge not specified in such schedules, pro-10 vided, however, that the total charges for through ship-11 ments over connecting lines of common carriers shall not 12 exceed the combination of intermediate charges over the 13 several lines between the two terminals of the shipment for 14 the same commodity under the most favorable terms pre-15 scribed in the printed schedules of the connecting common 16 carriers, and no carrier shall refuse to consign through to 17 destination in this state, and no connecting carrier shall 18 refuse to receive and transport on the combination of such intermediate charges any commodity which is regularly a 20 subject of carriage and through billing or consignment on 21 the same and such connecting lines. The rates, tolls and 22 charges named therein shall be the lawful rates, tolls and 23 charges until the same are changed as provided in this chap-24 ter. The commission may prescribe such changes in the 25 form in which the schedules are issued by any public utility 26 as may be found to be expedient.'