

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE DOCUMENT No. 155—SENATE AMEND-
MENT "A"

EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 207

In Senate, Feb. 21, 1929.

Read and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

Amend Senate Document No. 155 by striking out para-
2 graphs numbered three and four on the second page, para-
3 graphs numbered twelve and thirteen on the third page,
4 and paragraph numbered fourteen on the third and fourth
5 pages of the printed document; by striking out the words
6 "hydro installation" in the paragraph numbered seven on
7 said third page and inserting in place thereof the words
8 'average daily demand'; by striking out the word "costs"
9 in the paragraphs numbered nine and ten on said third page
10 and inserting in place thereof the word 'rates'; by striking
11 out the words "said states" in the second line and "of
12 manufacture" in the four line of the paragraph numbered

13 eleven on said page and inserting in place of the words
14 "said states" the word 'Maine'; and by renumbering para-
15 graphs five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven and fifteen
16 respectively, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, and 10.

JOINT ORDER

In Senate, Feb. 21, 1929.

Tabled by Senator Murchie of Washington pending passage
and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN, V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Murchie of Washington.

JOINT ORDER Relative to Investigation into Economic
Phases of Subject of Export of Hydro-electric Power.

Whereas the State of Maine for a period of approximately
twenty years has pursued the policy of retaining within its ter-
ritorial limits the hydro-electric energy produced by water pow-
ers within its borders, and

Whereas this policy has been challenged on economic
grounds by parties interested in the ownership of water powers
and water power sites within the State, and

Whereas a proper settlement of the problem of a desirable
water power policy should be predicated solely upon the ques-
tion of what policy is for the best interests of a majority of our
own people

Ordered, the House concurring, that the committee to
2 which has been referred Senate Document No. 44 and other

3 bills and orders dealing with the subject matter of the ex-
4 port of hydro-electric energy is hereby requested and direct-
5 ed to conduct such an investigation into the economic
6 phases of the problem of power export as in the opinion
7 of said committee and its members may be necessary to
8 advise this legislature, at the time of making its report on
9 said bills or orders or any one of them upon the following
10 matters:

(1) The price of industrial power as sold by public
2 utility corporations in Maine, in New Hampshire and in
3 Massachusetts.

(2) The trend of such prices in said states during a
2 period of not less than the last three years.

(3) The relative cost of power developed in Maine de-
2 livered to points in Maine, in New Hampshire and in
3 Massachusetts.

(4) The probable effect of the construction and opera-
2 tion of such a line upon the price of industrial power in
3 Maine, in New Hampshire and in Massachusetts.

(5) The present ratio of steam installation to average
2 daily demand of the major utilities in Maine, in New Hamp-
3 shire and in Massachusetts.

(6) The desirable ratio of such installations, having re-
2 gard to the nature of the loads of the several utilities.

(7) The present freight rates for goods being manu-
2 factured in substantial quantities in Maine, in New Hamp-
3 shire and in Massachusetts with a comparison of the same

4 between state and state.

(8) The trend of freight rates during a period of not
2 less than the last three years with information if any is
3 available of prospective changes.

(9) The proportion of power costs and freight costs in
2 the present major industries in Maine, exclusive of such
3 of those industries as depend upon raw materials available
4 in large quantities in the state.

(10) The desirability, from a capital standpoint, having
2 regard to power cost, to freight cost, and to other items,
3 of the location of industry in Maine under present condi-
4 tions and after the construction of a line capable of trans-
5 mitting electric energy in large amounts to New Hamp-
6 shire and to Massachusetts.