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NINETY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Poulin of Rumford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing for Inspection of Gas and Electric Meters.

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

- Sec. 1. Inspection of gas and electric meters. The public utilities commission shall appoint inspectors of electric and gas meters whose duty it shall be, when required by the commission, to inspect, examine and ascertain the accuracy of any and all electric and gas meters used or intended to be used for measuring and ascertaining the quantity of electric current or gas furnished for light, heat or power by any person or corporation, and to inspect, examine and ascertain the accuracy of all apparatus for testing and proving the accuracy of electric and gas meters, and when found to be or made to be correct the inspector shall stamp or mark all such meters and apparatus with some suitable device, which device shall be recorded in the office of the secretary of state. No corporation, person or municipality shall furnish, set or put into use any electric or gas meter the type of which shall not have been approved by the commission.
- Sec. 2. Replacement of meters. Each meter for measuring gas or electricity provided by a gas or electric company shall not later than 7 years

from the date of installation or replacement, be removed by the company or lighting plant from the premises of the consumer and replaced by it with such a meter which has been newly tested, sealed and stamped in accordance with law.

Sec. 3. Inspection fees. The commission shall charge a reasonable fee for the inspection service provided for herein.