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In Senate, February 12, 1953

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent down for concurrence and 1,000 copies ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Butler of Franklin

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Facilities Furnished by Public Utilities.

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

R. S., c. 40, § 16, amended. Section 16 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 16. Public utility to furnish safe and reasonable facilities; charges just and reasonable. Every public utility is required to furnish safe, reasonable and adequate facilities. The rate, toll or charge, or any joint rate made, exacted, demanded or collected by any public utility for the conveyance or transportation of persons or property between points within this state, or for any heat, light, water or power produced, transmitted, delivered or furnished, or for any telephone or telegraph message conveyed, or for any service rendered or to be rendered in connection with any public utility, shall be ~~reasonable just and just reasonable taking into due consideration the fair value of all its property with a fair return thereon, its rights and plant as a going concern, business risk, and depreciation. Every unjust or unreasonable charge for such service is prohibited and declared unlawful.~~