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House of Representatives, February 12, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Gowell of Berwick.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Inspection of Electrical Equipment.**

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

**R. S., c. 88, § 82-M, amended.** Section 82-M of chapter 88 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 376 of the public laws of 1949 and allocated and amended by section 108 of chapter 266 of the public laws of 1951, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 82-M. Authority to inspect.** The **insurance commissioner and any** electrical inspector having jurisdiction shall have the right during reasonable hours to enter any building or premises in the discharge of his official duties, or for the purpose of making any inspection, reinspection or test of the electrical **wiring and electrical** equipment contained therein or its installation. When any **wiring or** electrical equipment which is subject to the provisions of sections 82-I to 82-R, inclusive, is found by **the insurance commissioner or** a duly authorized electrical inspector to be dangerous to persons or property because it is defective or defectively installed, the person, firm or corporation responsible for the electrical equipment or its installation shall be notified in writing and shall make any changes or repairs required to place such equipment in reasonably safe condition. In cases of emergency, where immediately necessary for safety to persons or property, the said **insurance commissioner or any** electrical inspector having jurisdiction shall have the authority to immediately disconnect or cause the discon-

nection of any electrical equipment. No person shall unreasonably hinder, delay or interfere with the insurance commissioner or his representative, or other inspector, in the performance of his duties under this section, but on the contrary, the owner, occupant or person in possession of buildings, premises, and equipment subject to inspection is hereby required to permit entry, inspection and reinspection at all reasonable times by a properly qualified official.'