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# NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

#### H. P. 1027 Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities, sent up for concurrence and 1,000 copies ordered printed.

Presented by Mr. Wade of Auburn.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

#### AN ACT Relating to Proposed Change of Rates by Public Utility and Suspension Pending Hearing.

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

**R. S., c. 44, § 35, amended.** The 2nd paragraph of section 35 of chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Pending such investigation and order the Commission may at any time within said period preceding the effective date of any such schedule suspend the operation of such schedule, or any part thereof, by an order served upon the public utility affected thereby for a period not longer than 8 months from the effective date of such schedule. The public utility affected may place the filed schedule of rates in effect pending such investigation and order upon furnishing the Commission with a bond in such form and with such sureties, if any, as the Commission may require to secure the repayment to the customers of the public utility of the difference, if any, between the amounts collected under said schedule of rates and the schedule of rates finally determined by the Commission to be just and reasonable.'

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