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History and Final Disposition

LD 1815 / HP1161

Original Title: An Act to Protect Maine's Consumers by Establishing an Abuse of Dominance Right of Action and Requiring Notification of Mergers. New Title: An Act to Increase Penalties for Violations of the Law Governing Monopolies and Profiteering. Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business. Public Hearing 01/09/24. OTP-AM Accepted 02/28/24. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-771. Carried Over: 07/26/23. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 03/14/24, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 538.

Original Bill

[LD 1815 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 1815 / PL 2023, c. 538](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business

- (Master file available on request—please include citation:cf131-LD-1815.pdf)
[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(IDEA\) \(01/09/2024\)](#)
[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(IDEA\) \(01/26/2024\)](#)
[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(IDEA\) \(01/30/2024\)](#)
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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-771\) \(LD 1815 2024\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, April 27, 2023 \(H-373-390\)](#)

p. H-376

[SENATE, April 27, 2023 \(S-538-566\)](#)

p. S-562

[SENATE, July 25, 2023 \(S-1531-1592\)](#)

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[HOUSE, July 25, 2023 \(H-1153-1189\)](#)

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[HOUSE, February 27, 2024 \(H-1355-1369\)](#)

p. H-1368 (Amendment(s) H-771)

[SENATE, February 28, 2024 \(S-1856-1877\)](#)

p. S-1862 (Amendment(s) H-771)

[SENATE, February 29, 2024 \(S-1878-1895\)](#)

p. S-1886 (Amendment(s) H-771)

[HOUSE, March 5, 2024 \(H-1395-1412\)](#)

p. H-1407 (Amendment(s) H-771)

[SENATE, March 6, 2024 \(S-1912-1924\)](#)

p. S-1922 (Amendment(s) H-771)

Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2023, c. 538](#)

News Articles

Small rural businesses threatened by consumer protection bill (Rick Gowell) (Portland Press Herald, 1/10/2024, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD18xx/nc131-LD-1815/PPH 240110E.pdf)

Needed bill reins in big business (Maura Pillsbury) (Central Maine Sunday, 2/5/2024, p. A7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD18xx/nc131-LD-1815/CMS 240204D.pdf)

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