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STATE OF MAINE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON Public Utilities

BILL SUMMARY



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Office of Legislative Assistants State House, Station 13 Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2486 AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF
THE ARCOSTOOK PRESTILE TREATMENT
DISTRICT AND THE CHARTER OF THE
PRESQUE ISLE SEWER DISTRICT TO
AUTHORIZE THE WITHDRAWAL OF MUNICIPALITIES FROM THE APTD

Lisnik Mahany Matthews McBreairty ENACT. P&S 13 (OTPA)

SUMMARY: Grants new authority to the P.I. Sewer District to engage in collection and treatment, and does the same for any of the participants. Authorizes withdrawal by Easton, Presque Isle or Caribou upon request of their municipal officials and approval by a majority of the trustees, and removes the trustees representing the withdrawing area.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-15) Makes technical changes in the bill.

House Amendment "A" to Committee "A" (H-19) technical.

Senate Amendment "A" to Committee "A" (S-10) technical.

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURE Vose LV/WD FOR FILING A RATE CASE UNDER THE McGowen PUBLIC UTILITY LAW Paradis Weymouth

SUMMARY: In the event a rate filing by a utility is deficient, would have required the PUC to notify the utility within 15 days and would give the utility 15 days to correct the deficiency.

AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL TELE- Z. Matthews OTP-ND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR Joseph (LD 1166)
THE DEAF AND HEARING AND SPEECH Kany
IMPAIRED Hichens

SUMMARY: Would have required each telephone company to loan special teletype equipment (TTY/TDD) to deaf, and hearing and speech impaired persons. (This equipment costs several hundred dollars.) Also would have established a telecommunications equipment fund, supported by a \$40,000 per year assessment on the major telephone company.

212 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE TIME DURING Vose ENACT. PL 19
WHICH A UTILITY IS RESTRICTED FROM Roderick (OTPA)
FILING A RATE CASE UNDER THE PUBLIC UTILITY LAW

SUMMARY: Makes an exception to the bar on a utility filing for a general rate increase within one year of a previous filing. The exception would be if the prior filing did not lead to a "final determination of the utility's revenue requirement."

Committee Amendment "A" (H-9) clarifies the meaning of "final determination of the utility's revenue requirement."