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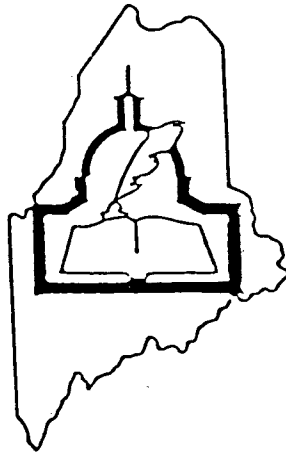
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<u>LD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	(Committee Report) <u>DISPOSITION</u>
2423	AN ACT REGARDING FRANCHISING AND REGULATION OF CABLE TELE- VISION SYSTEMS		PL 1983, C. 802 ND OF LD 2408 SA S-379(not adopt) SB S-380(not adopt) HA H-690(not adopt)

SUMMARY: The new draft establishes a clear state policy of municipal regulation regulation of cable TV after adoption of appropriate local ordinances. Exclusive or non-exclusive franchises may be awarded.

The new draft deletes from the bill PUC regulation of cable TV in general, but retains PUC regulation when the cable company offers services similar to the regulated services offered by telephone companies. It also retains the new provision authorizing PUC regulation of pole attachments.

Senate Amendment "A" (not adopted) would have deleted regulation of pole attachments, leaving that to the FCC.

Senate Amendment "B" (not adopted) would have deleted regulation of cable services similar to telephone service.

House Amendment "A" (not adopted) would have deleted both.