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Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-331)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-331)**.

Reports **READ**.

On motion by Senator **RAFFERTY** of York, the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-331) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on Bill "An Act to Clarify the Public Utilities Commission's Authority to Consider the Impact on Low-income Residential Ratepayers When Setting Rates"

H.P. 923 L.D. 1427

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-276)**.

Signed:

Senators:
LAWRENCE of York
GROHOSKI of Hancock
HARRINGTON of York

Representatives:
ZEIGLER of Montville
BABIN of Fort Fairfield
BOYLE of Gorham
FOSTER of Dexter
GEIGER of Rockland
KESSLER of South Portland
RUNTE of York
WARREN of Scarborough

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same **Ought Not To Pass**.

Signed:

Representatives:
DUNPHY of Embden
PAUL of Winterport

Comes from the House with the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-276)** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-276)**.

Reports **READ**.

Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Stewart.

Senator **STEWART**: Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, in caucus this morning, we had some questions around this bill and kind of the necessity behind it, and I just want to confirm for folks, recognizing that it is a pretty bipartisan majority report here, that if somebody could answer the question whether this bill is doing really anything but just providing a statutory mechanism for the PUC to deal with LIAP applications in some more significant way. It wasn't entirely clear what that way is, and so if that could be outlined here for us, I think that would be helpful, particularly for our benefit in the minority. Thanks.

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from Aroostook, Senator Stewart, has posed a series of questions through the Chair for anyone that may answer. The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Lawrence.

Senator **LAWRENCE**: Thank you, Mr. President. I would need some time to research that series of questions. So, I would move that this matter be tabled until later in today's session.

On motion by Senator **LAWRENCE** of York, **TABLED** until Later in Today's Session, pending the motion by Senator **VITELLI** of Sagadahoc to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act Regarding Environmental Justice"

H.P. 1046 L.D. 1621

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-318)**.

Signed:

Senators:
BRENNER of Cumberland
CARNEY of Cumberland