

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN

—
S.P. 82 - L.D. 273

An Act Regarding Penalties for Opting Out of Paperless Billing

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §9420 is enacted to read:

§9420. Paperless billing

1. Prohibition of certain fees. Except as authorized by federal law and regulation, a customer of a person may not be penalized by that person for opting out of receiving from the person a billing statement by electronic record rather than in paper form. A person may offer an incentive to a customer to accept a billing statement from the person by electronic record rather than in paper form.

2. Exemption. Subsection 1 does not apply to a person that is a depository institution, as defined in Title 32, section 16102, subsection 5, an affiliate of a depository institution or a subsidiary that is owned and controlled by the depository institution and that is regulated by a state or federal banking agency.

In House of Representatives, 2011

Read twice and passed to be enacted.

..... Speaker

In Senate, 2011

Read twice and passed to be enacted.

..... President

Approved 2011

..... Governor