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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
(Emergency)

ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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No. 1601

H. P. 1130

House of Representatives, January 6, 1964

The Committee on Agriculture suggested.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Boothby of Livermore Falls.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FOUR

**AN ACT Relating to the Disposition of Hundredweight Fees Payable to the
Maine Milk Commission and the Maine Dairy Council Committee.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the essential needs of the Maine Milk Commission require that additional revenue be raised; and

Whereas, the revenue to be raised under the Milk Commission Act will not be sufficient to provide for said needs during the current fiscal year unless the hundredweight fee assessments be immediately increased; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 33, § 6, amended. The 3rd paragraph of section 6 of chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

'Each licensed dealer shall pay to said commission an annual license fee of \$1 and the sums of ~~3c~~ **3½c** per hundredweight as monthly payments, based on quantity of milk purchased or produced in any market area, or purchased or produced in an uncontrolled area and sold in any market area. ~~One and one-half~~ **One and three-quarter** cents per hundredweight may be deducted by dealers from amounts paid by them to producers of such milk; except that the milk,

farm-processed into cream for the manufacture of butter, shall not be subject to such sums of ~~3c~~ $3\frac{1}{2}c$ per hundredweight.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 33, § 7, sub-§ III repealed. Subsection III of section 7 of chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 33, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding before the last paragraph, a new paragraph, as follows:

'Out of the sums raised by assessments in section 6, 2c per hundredweight shall be expended for the promotional, educational, experimental plans and the research and advertising purposes as determined by the Maine Dairy Council Committee and for the compensation of and the expenses incurred by the Maine Dairy Council Committee.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect on February 1, 1964.