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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
105TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 1363, L.D. 1780, Bill, "AN ACT Revising Certain Safety Laws in the Department of Labor and Industry."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end a new section, to read as follows:

'Sec. 5. R. S., T. 26, c. 6, sub-c. II, additional. Chapter 6 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 454 of the public laws of 1969, and as amended, is further amended by adding a new subchapter II, to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER II

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH OF FARM WORKERS

§580. Standards

It is declared the public policy of the State of Maine that all workers engaged in agricultural labor in the State shall be protected from hazards to their safety or health and that working conditions shall be maintained that will be reasonably free of hazards to their safety and health.

§581. Administration and enforcement

The Commissioner of Agriculture shall have the authority to adopt, after public hearing, administer and enforce standards, rules and regulations to implement section 580.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to provide for safety and

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health standards for agriculture under P.L. 91-596, enacted by Congress, so that Maine does not lose its option to set its own standards with respect to agriculture workers.

Filed by Mr. Good of Westfield.

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