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1 2	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
3 4	ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
5 6	Legislative Document No. 282
7 8	H.P. 235 House of Representatives, January 26, 1983 Received by the Clerk of the House on January 26, 1983. Referred to the
9	Committee on Agriculture, and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.
10	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
· 11	Presented by Representative Daggett of Manchester.
12 13	STATE OF MAINE
14 15 16	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
17 18 19	AN ACT to Permit Compensation to be Paid to Beekeepers for Damage Done by Bears.
20 21	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
22 23	Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1510-B, as amended by PL 1981, c. 368, §1, is further amended to read:
24	§1510-B. Limited liability for wild animal damage
25 26 27 28	The State is not liable for damage done by wild animals to beekives or livestock. Neither state agencies nor the State Claims Board may accept claims for such that wild animal damage.
29	Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §2505 is enacted to read:
30	§2505. Damage done by bears

1 2	Any person owning bees licensed in accordance with this chapter whose beehives have been damaged or
3 4 5	destroyed by bears may file a claim for compensation with the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, pursuant to Title 5, section 1510-A.
6	STATEMENT OF FACT
7 8 9	The purpose of this bill is to permit beekeepers to recover for losses to their beehives caused by bears. Compensation shall be provided by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.