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AGRICULTURE

BILL SUMMARY



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LD: 1557 AN ACT TO LIMIT PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING TO MCCOLLISTER EMERGENCY AGRICULTURAL FAIRS

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SUMMARY:

This was a proposal to limit harness racing wagering to agricultural fair associations only. The cotention of the sponsor was that wagering at harness racing meets appeared to be cutting into potential revenue from the State lottery.

| LD: 1563 | AN ACT TO ALLOW THE US | SE OF BOTANICAL | MICHAEL |
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| EMERGENCY | PESTICIDES IN THE PRO | DUCTION OF FOODS LABELED | MCCOLLISTER |
| | OR ADVERTISED AS ORGAN | NIC | BRAGG |
| | OTP HOUSE | Emerg. Enacted | PUBLIC |
| | SENATE | Emerg. Enacted | CH # 329 |
| | GOV EMER | SIGNED | |

SUMMARY :

The purpose of this law is to allow the use of botanical pesticides in the production of foods labeled or advertised as organic, organically grown or biologically grown. The sponsors of the bill were interested in bringing Maine's organic labeling law into closer compliance with the practices suggested by the International Federation of Organic Agricultural Movements and other organizations representing organic growers.

- LD: 1572 AN ACT TO REVISE RULES GOVERNING CERTIFICATION TARDY OF SEED POTATOES
 - ND: 303

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