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H. P. 255

House of Representatives, January 16, 1963

Referred to Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Edwards of Raymond.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Definition of Domestic Fowl for Tax Purposes.**

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

Whereas, property is taxed as of April 1st; and

Whereas, there is confusion as to the meaning of domestic fowl in the taxation of the business of raising domestic fowl; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the following legislation be enacted to resolve such confusions in 1963 and to make more definite exactly what is to be taxed in such situations; 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:

**R. S., c. 91-A, § 9, sub-§ III-A, ¶ F, additional.** Subsection III-A of section 9 of chapter 91-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 297 of the public laws of 1957, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph F, as follows:

**F.** The term "fowl" and "domestic fowl", as used in this subsection, shall include only that kind of fowl commonly known as chickens, genus gallus

**domesticus, and shall not include other kinds of fowl such as turkeys, ducks and geese.'**

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.