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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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S. P. 323 In Senate, February, 27, 1969 Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent down for concurrence and 1,000 ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary Presented by Senator Cianchette of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT to Create a State-wide Milk Marketing and Producer Pool.

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

R. S., T. 7, § 2953-B, additional. Title 7 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2953-B, to read as follows:

§ 2953-B. State-wide marketing and producer pool

The commission shall be authorized and empowered to establish a pool of of all milk producers in Maine, regardless of their present market, with the exception of producer-handlers. The commission shall perform the necessary administrative duties for said pool, including the handling of equalization payments to producers. The commission shall assess each producer an adequate amount per hundredweight for the purpose of administering the statewide pool. Maximum hauling rates shall be regulated by the commission. Farm sources of producer milk entering the State for use or sale shall conform to Maine dairy standards as determined by the commission and Maine milk inspectors prior to shipment. The commission shall determine the required amount of out-of-state milk needed and authorize such inspections of farm sources as necessary to fulfill said need. The commission shall limit the purchase of class II milk by a local Maine dealer to not more than 15% of said dealer's class I purchases within said pool.