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#### ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 301

H. P. 219 House of Representatives, January 21, 1971 Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelleher, Bangor.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

### An Act Relating to Definition of Agricultural Societies to Qualify for Stipend.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, for an agricultural society to qualify for a "stipend" it has to pay premiums for 3 consecutive years; and

Whereas, certain agricultural societies cannot qualify as they operate under leases from municipalities and others, and such leases are only for one-year periods; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to prevent undue hardship on certain agricultural societies; 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., T. 7, § 62, sub-§ 2, amended. Subsection 2 of section 62 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

The 3-year provision shall not apply to societies whose annual exhibitions are leased to a person or corporation.

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

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.