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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
105TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 253, L. D. 335, Bill, "AN ACT Establishing the Maine Apple Fund and Maine Apple Commission."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of subsection 5 of that part designated "§4282." and inserting in place thereof the following:

'5. Grower. "Grower" shall mean and include any person, partnership, association, firm or corporation who grows apples in the State of Maine.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "§4283." and inserting in place thereof the following:

'§4283. Rate of tax

There is levied a tax of 3¢ per box of harvested apples in excess of 1000 boxes per season, to be paid by the grower at the time and manner provided. Boxes of apples harvested on or after July 1, 1971 shall be counted in determining the tax levied.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the 4th line from the end of that part designated "§4287." the underlined word "shall" and inserting the underlined word 'may'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§4289." by inserting at the end of the 2nd sentence, before the period, the following 'or any other organized group of growers'

Statement of Fact

This amendment will further clarify the definition of "grower," will change the rate of tax from 5¢ to 3¢ and make certain further changes in exemption of number of boxes, date of tax levy and provide for any organized group of growers to make recommendations

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for appointment to the Maine Apple Commission to the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Reported by a Minority of the Committee on Agriculture.

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