

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 22, 1973

Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Dyar of Strong.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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**AN ACT to Exempt Nonprofit Clubs and Organizations from Food Handling  
Regulations.**

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

R. S., T. 22, § 2486, amended. Section 2486 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

Nonprofit organizations including, but not limited to 4-H clubs, scouts, agricultural societies, shall be exempt from Department of Health and Welfare rules and regulations relating to dispensing foods and nonalcoholic beverages at not more than 10 public events within any one calendar year.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Youth groups are now prohibited from food handling and the selling of foods and nonalcoholic beverages at events they may sponsor due to prohibitive costs involved to comply with Health and Welfare rules and regulations. In one case where Health and Welfare intervened, a youth oriented riding club would have expended in excess of \$2,000 to comply with flush toilets, hot and cold water, screening and grill hoods in order to dispense hot dogs, hamburgers, sandwiches, coffee, milk and soft drinks.