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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-460)
107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 794, L.D. 967, Bill,
"AN ACT Making Potato Processors Subject to Certain Provisions
of the Licensing and Bonding Statutes for the Bonding of Potatoes."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting clause
the following:

'Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §1012, sub-§13, last sentence, as enacted
by PL 1971, c. 600, §4, is repealed as follows:

~~Potatoes-purchased-from-licensees-under-this-Article-shall-not
be-included-in-computing-the-aforesaid-aggregate-quantities.'~~

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end before
the Statement of Fact the following:

'Sec. 7. 10 MRSA §3301 is amended to read:
§3301. Canned corn, grains and fruit

Whoever furnishes corn or other grain, potatoes or fruit
for canning, freezing or preservation otherwise has a lien on
such preserved article and all with which it may have been
mingled for its value when delivered, including the cans and
other vessels containing the same and the cases, ~~for-30-days~~
after the same has been delivered and until it has been shipped
on board a vessel or laden in a car or placed on other conveyance,
which lien may be enforced by attachment within that time.'

Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 1 to 5
to be sections 2 to 6 .

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to provide additional protection for Maine potato growers who have received no pay or slow pay from potato processors. This amendment also protects small potato growers selling to wholesalers who are exempt from the licensing and bonding laws. The wholesalers require small growers to purchase licenses and bonds.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Agriculture.

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