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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-589)
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 993, L.D. 1230, Bill,
"AN ACT Relating to Potato Quality."

Amend the Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line after the enacting clause the underlined abbreviation and figure 'Sec. 1.'

Further amend the Bill in that part designated "§951-A." in the first paragraph by inserting at the end the following: 'The commissioner shall adopt rules consistent with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375, to implement this section. Prior to their adoption, these rules shall be reported to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture by January 15, 1980 for its review.'

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

'Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 1981.'

Statement of Fact

The delayed effective date will give the department and growers sufficient time to change present practices and will not interfere with current plans and arrangements being made for the next crop year. The addition of review of rules by the committee will assure that the implementation will be effective and consistent with the intent of the legislation.