

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 19**

S. P. 21

Office of the Secretary of the Senate

Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.  
Reference to the Committee on Agriculture suggested.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Wood of York.

Cosponsor: Senator Hichens of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Amend the Maine Pesticide Control Act of 1975 to Fund Research  
Relating to Public Health.**

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

**7 MRSA § 607, sub-§ 6, first sentence**, as last amended by PL 1979, c. 644, § 1, is further amended to read:

The applicant desiring to register a pesticide shall pay an annual registration fee of ~~\$50 to the commissioner~~ **\$60** for each pesticide registered for ~~such that~~ applicant. **Ten dollars of each fee shall be used for purposes of funding research, analysis and evaluation relating to public health concerns arising out of pesticide use.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide an increase in pesticide registration fees in order to allow the Board of Pesticides Control to address growing concerns of the public as to the long-range impact of pesticide use on the health of the citizens of the State. The use of these funds will be coordinated with related efforts of the Departments of Human Services, Conservation and Environmental Protection.