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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-114)
110TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 308, L.D. 380, Bill,
"AN ACT to Improve Marketing of Maine Agricultural Products."

Amend the bill in section 1, in that part designated
"§423.", subsection 1, last paragraph by inserting after
the underlined words "does not include" the underlined
words 'potatoes or potato products,'

Further amend the bill in section 1, in that part design-
ated "§424." in subsection 3 in the 7th line (6th^{line} in L.D.)
by inserting after the underlined words "to his administration"
the underlined words 'under this subchapter'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part design-
ated "§425." by striking out all of subsection 2 and insert-
ing in its place the following:

'2. Referendum approval. No market order adopted under
this subchapter may take effect unless and until the commis-
sioner determines that the adoption of the order is favored
by:

A. Not less than 66 2/3% of the persons participating
in a referendum in the area affected and having marketed
not less than 51% of the total quantity of the commodity
which was marketed in the preceding marketing season by
all persons that participated in the referendum; or

B. Not less than 51% of the persons participating in
a referendum in the area affected and having marketed
not less than 66 2/3% of the total quantity of the
commodity which was marketed in the preceding marketing
season by all persons that participated in the referen-

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dum.'

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to:

1. Exempt potatoes or potato products from coverage under the bill;
2. Change the referendum approval to require approval by either at least 2/3 of the persons who marketed at least 51% of the commodity or at least 51% of the persons who marketed at least 2/3 of the commodity.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Agriculture.
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