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	FIRS	T REGULAR	SESSION	
	ONE HUNDRED	AND ELEVEN	TH LEGISLAT	TURE
Legislativ	re Document			No. 1332
H.P. 1007		House of	of Representative	es, March 25, 1983
Referr ordered pr	red to the Committe inted.	e on Agricultu	ire. Sent up for	concurrence and
			EDWI	N H. PERT, Clerk
	by Representative Monsor: Representativ			
	S'	TATE OF MA	INE	
		E YEAR OF UNDRED AND	OUR LORD	REE
	AN ACT Conc for Agr	erning the icultural		ıdge
Be it e follows	nacted by the	People of	the State	of Maine as
7 M	RSA §448 is e	nacted to	read:	
§448 U	se of sludge	for agric	ultural pur	poses; tests
	person may se other human			
purpose	s unless that	sludge	septage or	waste has
been t	ested to dete	rmine if i	t contains	chemicals or
other s	ubstances whi	ch may be	harmful to	humans if
	dge, septage	or waste i	s used for	agricultural
purpose				ste is found
	ain any such			
snall n	ot be used for	r agricult	urai purpos	es.

The Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall prescribe the tests which are to be performed under this section and shall promulgate all necessary rules to carry out the purposes of this section.

Any person who violates this section or any rule promulgated under this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed \$500 may be adjudged.

10 STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that if sludge is sold or given away for use in agriculture, it must be tested to determine if it contains chemicals or other substances which may be harmful to humans if the sludge is used in agriculture.

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