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Re printed	ference to the Committee on Agriculture is suggested a .	and ordered
	EDWIN	H. PERT, Clerk
Present	ed by Representative Michael of Auburn.	
	STATE OF MAINE	
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD	_
·	NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE	<u>د</u>
	AN ACT to Define Farm Laborers.	
Be it follo	: enacted by the People of the State o ws:	of Maine as
s	ec. 1. 39 MRSA §2, sub-§2-A is enact	ted to read:
2	2-A. Agricultural employment. "Agric	cultural em-
ploym	nent" means employment in agriculture pses of this subsection "agriculture	re. For the
· · · ·	ng in all of its branches and inclu	
	imited to, cultivation and tillage	
	ving; the production, cultivation,	
	esting of any agricultural or horticul	
	ies; the raising of livestock, bees,	
	ils or poultry; and any practices, inc	
estry	or lumbering operations, performed	by a farmer
or on	n a farm as an incident to or in conju	inction with
farmi	ng operations, including preparation	
		arriers for
trans	sportation to market.	

1	Sec. 2. 39 MRSA §2, sub-§6-A is enacted to read:
2	6-A. Farm laborer. "Farm laborer" means a per-
3	son engaged in agricultural employment.
4	STATEMENT OF FACT
5	This bill defines farm laborers. Employers of
6	seasonal or casual farm laborers are exempt from the
7	workers' compensation laws. Employers of 4 or fewer
8	farm laborers are also exempt from this requirement.
9	Season and casual farm laborers have been defined in
10	laws, but regular farm laborers have not been de-
11	fined. A definition is needed to expedite claims of
12	agricultural exemptions.

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