

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1325

7 H.P. 920

House of Representatives, April 16, 1985

8 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence and
9 ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Michael of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Representative Whitcomb of Waldo.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Strengthen the Law Relating to
18 Purchase of Foodstuffs from Maine
19 Concerns.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 7 MRSA §214, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1983, c.
24 608, §2, is amended to read:

25 1. Coordinator; position established. There is
26 established in the Bureau of Purchases the position
27 of coordinator who shall be responsible to assist in
28 the development of connections between state and
29 school purchasers, Maine food producers and brokers
30 and wholesalers of food. The coordinator shall es-
31 tablish an advisory committee within the State Gov-
32 ernment to discuss possibilities and review proposals
33 for expanding purchase of local foodstuffs. At least
34 one representative from the following state agencies
35 shall be invited to serve on this advisory committee:
36 The Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Re-

1 sources, the Department of Corrections, the Depart-
2 ment of Educational and Cultural Services, the De-
3 partment of Human Services, the Department of Marine
4 Resources and the Division of Community Services.
5 Representation from other state agencies, local in-
6 stitutions or from the private sector shall be chosen
7 by the State Purchasing Agent who shall serve as
8 chairman of the advisory committee.

9 The Bureau of Purchases may accept any and all funds
10 to carry out this chapter.

11 STATEMENT OF FACT

12 This bill establishes an advisory committee with-
13 in the State Government to assist in the job of in-
14 creasing purchases between state and local institu-
15 tions and Maine food producers. It designates a
16 chairman for the advisory committee and it gives the
17 Bureau of Purchases the authority to use funds avail-
18 able to establish alternative marketing structures.

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