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	(New Draft of H.P. 250, L.D. 304) FIRST REGULAR SESSION
!	ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
	Legislative Document No. 1412
	H.P. 981 House of Representatives, April 29, 1985
	Reported by Representative Tardy from the Committee on Agriculture
	and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original bill sponsored by Representative Michael of Auburn. Cosponsored by Representative Whitcomb of Waldo and Representative Daggett of Manchester.
	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
	STATE OF MAINE
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
	AN ACT to Shorten the Final Pay Settlement of Milk Dealers to Producers.
	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
	7 MRSA §2954-A, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 449, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
	§2954-A. Payment by dealers to producers
	1. First 15 days. On or before the 5th day af-
	ter the end of the calendar month in which delivery
	was made, each dealer shall pay each of his producers
	for milk received from the producer during the first
	15 days of that month at a rate that is not less than
	the most recently published Federal Order No. 1, Zone
	21 blend price.
	2. Balance due. Each dealer shall make payment
	to his producers for the balance due for milk received during that month as follows.
	ceived during that month as follows.

1	A. On or before the 20th day after the end of
2	that month, each dealer shall pay his producers
2 3	the amount calculated as the initial payment ac-
4 5	cording to the Maine Milk Pool statute, section
5	3153, subsection 2, paragraph A, and Milk Pool
6	rules, minus the amount of the payment made to
7	the producer under subsection 1.
8	B. On or before the 5th day after the end of the
9	month in which the payments required by section 1
10	and paragraph A are made, each dealer shall pay
11	each of his producers any sums received on behalf
12	of his producers pursuant to the Maine Milk Pool
13	statute, section 3153, subsection 4 and Milk Pool
14	rules.
15	3. Penalties. The license of any dealer who vi-
16	olates this section may be suspended or revoked in
17	accordance with Title 5, chapter 375.
18	STATEMENT OF FACT
19	The purpose of this new draft is to revise the
20	schedule which determines the time frame in which
21	dealers are obligated to make payments to producers
22	and it ties the payment rate to Federal Order No. 1,
23	Zone 21 blend price.