

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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L.D. 1790

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STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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112TH LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1273, L.D.  
1790, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Maine Agricultural  
Marketing and Bargaining Act of 1973."

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Amend the bill by inserting after the title and  
before the enacting clause the following:

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'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-  
lature do not become effective until 90 days after  
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, the bargaining process between agricul-  
tural producers and processors of agricultural  
products must occur within a structured framework  
with dates specified for negotiating contracts; and

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Whereas, the broiler industry is currently nego-  
tiating a new contract with a major processor under  
terms which are affected by these amendments to the  
Maine Agricultural Marketing and Bargaining Act of  
1973; and

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Whereas, it is imperative to insure that condi-  
tions support the negotiation of contracts which  
maintain the economic standing of agricultural pro-  
ducers and processors in Maine; and

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Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,  
these facts create an emergency within the meaning of  
the Constitution of Maine and require the following  
legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-  
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
therefore, '

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Further amend the bill by inserting at the end  
before the statement of fact the following:

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