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1 2 3	(New Draft of S.P. 661, L.D. 1699) SECOND REGULAR SESSION
4 5	ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
6 7	Legislative Document No. 209
8	S.P. 831 In Senate, February 28, 198
9 10 11	Reported by Senator Black of Cumberland from the Committee on Agriculture and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original bill sponsored by President Pray of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Senator Black of Cumberland, Representative Tardy of Palmyra and Representative Sherburne of Dexter.
12	JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senat
13 14	STATE OF MAINE
15 16 17	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX
18 19 20	AN ACT to Coordinate Board of Pesticides Control Registration.
21 22	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
23 24	7 MRSA §607, sub-§8, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 382, §3, is amended to read:
25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	A. Provided the State is eertified authorized by the Administrator of EPA the United States Environmental Protection Agency to register pesticides pursuant to Sections 24(a) and 24(c) of FIFRA, the commissioner board shall consider the required information set forth under subsections 2, 3, 4 and 5 and shall, subject to the terms and conditions of the EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency certification, register such pesticide if he it determines that:
35 36	(1) Its composition is such as to warrant the proposed claims for it;

1 (2) Its labeling and other material re-2 quired to be submitted comply with the re-3 quirements of this subchapter; 4 (3) It will perform its intended function 5 without unreasonable adverse effects on the 6 environment; 7 (4) When used in accordance with widespread 8 and commonly recognized practice, it will not generally cause unreasonable adverse ef-9 10 fects on the environment; and 11 (5) A special local need for the pesticide 12 exists. 13 If, within 180 days from the date the completed 14 application for registration is submitted, the Board of Pesticides Control fails to act upon an 15 16 application for registration of a pesticide which has been certified by the United States Environ-17 18 mental Protection Agency the pesticide shall be 19 deemed registered under this chapter, unless the Board of Pesticides Control issues a written 20 21 statement containing the reasons for the failure 22 to act upon the application. The statement of the Board of Pesticides Control shall be consid-23 24 ered a refusal to register pursuant to section 25 609.

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- This paragraph does not apply if the registrant fails to provide any information required to be submitted under this chapter or does not provide other information requested by the Board of Pesticides Control in order to determine whether the pesticide should be registered.
- The preceding paragraph does not affect the rights of the Board of Pesticides Control to make further inquiry regarding the registration of a pesticide or to refuse reregistration, suspend or revoke registration or otherwise restrict or condition the use of pesticides in order to protect public health and the environment.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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This new draft requires the Board of Pesticides
Control to act upon an application for registration
of a pesticide that has received approval from the
United States Environmental Protection Agency withir
180 days from the date the application is properly
submitted to the board. At present, there is no time
limit for the board to act.

An additional sentence is added to insure that the authority of the Board of Pesticides Control is maintained to take appropriate action in order to protect the public health and the environment.

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