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8	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 115TH LEGISLATURE
10	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
12	HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P
14	1163, L.D. 1704, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit the Sale and Distribution of Certain Milk Products"
16	Amend the amendment by inserting after section 4 the
18	following:
20	'Sec. 5. 7 MRSA §3106 is enacted to read:
22	§3106. Research restrictions
24	1. Segregation. Research pursuant to section 3105 or biosynthetic bovine somatotropin, known as BST, may be conducted
26	only under the direction of a recognized research institution and only if the milk from dairy animals that have been treated with
28	BST is segregated from milk that is used for human consumption.
30	2. Annual report. Annually by January 1st, any person or institution conducting biotechnological or genetic engineering
32	research on agricultural commodities shall file a report with the Legislature that describes the nature and scope of
34	biotechnological and genetic engineering research conducted during the immediate preceeding year. The report must also
36	include a list of the names and amounts contributed by research sponsors.
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40	3. Consent. Any owner or operator of a dairy farm who participates in BST research under section 3105 and this section
	must have prior written consent from any processor to whom that
42	owner's or operator's milk is sold.
44	4. Criminal violation. Any person or institution who intentionally or knowingly violates any provision of this section
46	commits a Class E crime punishable by a fine of not more than \$7,500 and is subject to imprisonment of not more than 30 days,
48	or both, for each violation. Prosecution under this section is by summons and not by warrant.

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Sec. 6. Costs mot funded. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised

Statutes, Title 30-A, section 5684, any requirements of this Act
that result in additional costs to local or county government are
not state mandates subject to that section and the State is not
required to fund those costs.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment requires that milk treated with BST be segregated from milk that is used for human consumption. It also requires any person conducting BST research to file an annual report with the Legislature concerning that research. The amendment also requires that operators obtain prior consent from processors to whom that person's milk is sold. It also adds a penalty provision.

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