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No. 634

S.P. 198

In Senate, February 23, 1993

An Act to Extend the Repeal Date of the Laws Governing Biosynthetic Bovine Somatotropin.

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative HEESCHEN of Wilton and
Senators: MARDEN of Kennebec, PEARSON of Penobscot, WEBSTER of Franklin,
Representatives: AULT of Wayne, CHASE of China, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, SPEAR of
Nobleboro.

2 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

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6 **Whereas,** the laws restricting the use or administration of
biosynthetic bovine somatotropin, known as BST, will be repealed
on February 1, 1993; and

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10 **Whereas,** the repeal on restrictions involving the use or
administration of BST needs to be extended until more extensive
human and animal safety studies are completed; and

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14 **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
16 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

18 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

20 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA 3105, last ¶,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 725,
22 §4, is amended to read:

24 This section is repealed February 1, ~~1993~~ 1994.

26 **Sec. 2. Retroactivity.** This Act takes effect retroactively to
February 1, 1993.

28 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
30 preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

32 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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36 This bill extends the sunset provision regarding the laws
that restrict the use and administration of biosynthetic bovine
somatotropin, known as BST, from February 1, 1993 to February 1,
38 1994.