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House of Representatives, March 9, 1998

An Act to Promote and Encourage the Cultivation of Cranberries in the State.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township. Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, BELANGER of Wallagrass, DRISCOLL of Calais, GOODWIN of Pembroke, JONES of Bar Harbor, POULIN of Oakland, POVICH of Ellsworth, Senator: KIEFFER of Aroostook.

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §2402, sub-§1, ¶¶B and D, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 609, §2, are amended to read:

- B. A minimum of 5% of the General Fund revenues must be used by the Bureau-of--Agricultural-Preduction Division of
 Plant Industry for a new crop pest survey and biocontrol program, after a work plan is submitted to and approved by the commissioner.
- A minimum of 20% of the General Fund revenues must be 12 D. used to fund grants through the technology transfer program established in section 306 and the special projects program 14 established in section 307 for integrated pest management research and demonstration projects, including an integrated 16 pest management program for cranberries. The funds may be used to support graduate student programs and stipends. 18 The grant funds may not be used for purposes outside the strict 20 scope of the grant. The grant funds may not be used for defrayal of overhead and administrative costs of the grant recipient. 22
 - Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL30RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

32 Integrated Pest Management Fund

34 All Other

\$80,000

Provides funds for a University of Maine
 Cooperative Extension integrated pest
 management program for cranberries.

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SUMMARY

44 The purpose of this bill is to promote the cultivation of cranberries in the State. This bill amends the law governing the integrated pest management program to specifically authorize an integrated pest management program for cranberries and to make several technical changes. The bill also appropriates funds to the Integrated Pest Management Fund for a University of Maine Cooperative Extension integrated pest management program.

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