

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1354

S.P. 410

In Senate, March 5, 2001

**An Act to Restrict the Use of the Term "Maine Water" to Water From
Maine.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative COWGER of Hallowell and
Senator SHOREY of Washington, Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, DAIGLE of
Arundel, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor, TOBIN of Windham,
TWOMEY of Biddeford.

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

2 Sec. 1. 7 MRSA c. 103, sub-c. I-A, as amended, is further
4 amended by repealing the subchapter headnote and enacting the
6 following in its place:

8 SUBCHAPTER I-A

10 FOODS LABELED AS NATURAL, ORGANIC

12 OR FROM MAINE

14 Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §563 is enacted to read:

16 §563. Water labeled or advertised as from Maine

18 Water may not be labeled or advertised as "Maine water" or
20 "from Maine" if the water is not from a natural source in the
22 State.

24 SUMMARY

26 This bill prohibits the labeling or advertising of water as
"Maine water" or "from Maine" unless the water is from a natural
source in the State.