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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
121ST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1171, L.D. 1596, Bill, "An Act Regarding Sinks in Eating Establishments"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources To Develop Guidelines for Requiring Handwashing Sinks in Certain Convenience Stores'**

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

**'Sec. 1. Guidelines for sinks in food establishments. Resolved:** That the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall set forth guidelines in the State of Maine Food Code regarding handwashing sinks in certain convenience stores, upon completion of the department's database migration, but no later than April 1, 2004. These guidelines must include a procedure by which convenience stores with little food preparation will be assigned a low-risk code and will not be required to install a sink used exclusively for handwashing, as presently required in the department's food code.'

**SUMMARY**

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4 This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. The  
6 resolve orders the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural  
8 Resources, which has jurisdiction over most convenience stores,  
to establish guidelines to ensure that convenience stores that  
prepare only a minor amount of food and are assigned a low-risk  
code are not required to install a sink used exclusively for  
handwashing.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

Approved: 05/19/03 *MAC*

**121st Maine Legislature  
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**

**LD 1596**

**An Act Regarding Sinks in Eating Establishments**



**LR 1715(02)**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - General Fund