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An Act To Require a Commercial Applicator's License To Use Pesticides in Food-handling Establishments

Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

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

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Presented by Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1471-C, sub-§5-A, as amended by PL 1987, c. 243, §2, is
 further amended to read:

5-A. Custom application. "Custom application" means any an application of any a
pesticide under contract or for which compensation is received or any , an application of a
pesticide to a property open to use by the public or an application of a pesticide in a foodhandling establishment.

8 Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1471-C, sub-§9-A is enacted to read:

9 9-A. Food-handling establishment. "Food-handling establishment" means a 10 commercial, governmental or institutional facility, other than a private residence, where 11 food is routinely stored, processed, prepared or served for human consumption, either on 12 or off premises, including restaurants, cafeterias, delicatessens, warehouses, catering 13 establishments, summer camps, campgrounds and food processing plants. "Food-14 handling establishment" does not include nonprofit organizations or persons engaged in 15 fund-raising or booster activities.

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SUMMARY

17 This bill requires a person applying pesticides anywhere in a food-handling 18 establishment to have a commercial applicator license.