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An Act To More Clearly Define Maple Syrup

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

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Presented by Representative PIOTTI of Unity.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §892-A, sub-§1, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 326, §2, is
3 amended to read:

4 D. "Maple syrup" means the liquid derived by concentration and heat treatment of
5 ~~the sap of the maple tree~~ trees, Acer, or by solution in water of maple sugar, maple
6 concentrate, made from such sap. The solids content of the finished maple syrup may
7 not be less than 66% by weight or more than 69% by weight at 68 degrees
8 Fahrenheit. Alternatively, the word "syrup" may be spelled "sirup."

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill brings more specification to the definition of maple syrup, to match the
11 defined grades of maple syrup more closely. It also allows for an alternative spelling of
12 "syrup" to be "sirup."