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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 65

House of Representatives, January 9, 2009

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**Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural  
Resources To Streamline Agricultural Regulation**

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Reported by Representative PIEH of Bremen for the Joint Standing Committee on  
Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Public Law 2007, chapter 660, section 18.

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and  
ordered printed under Joint Rule 218.

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1 post it on its publicly accessible website by September 15, 2009. The resolve also directs  
2 the department to review and draft changes to the rules related to the licensing of certain  
3 types of food production and processing and the rules governing meat and poultry  
4 inspection and licensing. It requires the department to identify steps for streamlining the  
5 State's meat and poultry inspection and licensing process and to enhance coordination  
6 with the United States Department of Agriculture's inspection program as well as  
7 leverage federal resources, including resources to increase the availability of hazard  
8 analysis and critical control points training. The resolve requires the department to  
9 present a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and  
10 Forestry by January 15, 2010 that includes findings and recommendations including any  
11 draft legislation and proposed rule changes needed to implement the recommendations.  
12 The resolve gives the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and  
13 Forestry authority to submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature  
14 related to the report.