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## 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, February 24, 2009

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources To Develop Best Management Practices for Poultry Production

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative EDGECOMB of Caribou and
Representatives: FLOOD of Winthrop, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, O'BRIEN of
Lincolnville, PIEH of Bremen, SIROIS of Turner.

Sec. 1. Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to develop best management practices for poultry production. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall develop best 3 management practices for the production of poultry and adopt rules to establish standards 4 based on the best management practices. The best management practices must be 5 available on the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources' publicly 6 7 accessible website and included in the next publication of the Manual of Best Management Practices for Maine Agriculture by the department's division of animal 8 9 health and industry. The rules must be adopted as authorized under the Maine Revised 10 Statutes, Title 7, sections 443 and 443-B. The rules must establish a process to allow use of the Maine quality trademark certified under section 443-B on poultry products that 11 meet the standards. Rules adopted in accordance with this section are routine technical 12 rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. 13

## **SUMMARY**

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This resolve directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to develop best management practices for poultry production and adopt rules to allow the Maine quality trademark to be used on poultry products.