

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 325

House of Representatives, February 14, 2013

### **An Act To Increase Food Sovereignty in Local Communities**

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: JONES of Freedom, LIBBY of Waterboro.

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

2 **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5 This bill proposes to enact measures designed to:

- 6 1. Preserve the ability of local communities to produce, process, sell, purchase and  
7 consume local foods;
- 8 2. Ensure the preservation of family farms; and
- 9 3. Enhance the economic, environmental and social wealth of local communities by  
10 supporting family farms and sustainable agricultural practices and promoting the  
11 unimpeded ability of individuals, families and other entities to process or prepare foods  
12 for home consumption.