

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Date: 6/14/13

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L.D. 1254  
(Filing No. H-510)

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
126TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 888, L.D. 1254, Bill, "An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in All State Institutions"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §213, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Implementation schedule. The following percentages of foodstuffs purchased by a state or school purchaser, except for a school purchaser at a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program in accordance with 7 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 220 (2007), must come directly from Maine food producers or food brokers who assist in the distribution of foodstuffs produced or harvested by Maine food producers:

A. By December 31, 2020, at least 15%;

B. By December 31, 2024, at least 20%;

C. By December 31, 2034, at least 25%; and

D. By December 31, 2035, at least 35%.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and changes the implementation dates and minimum percentages regarding Maine foodstuffs that state and school purchasers must purchase directly from Maine food producers or food brokers. It changes the implementation schedule for Maine foodstuffs from at least 15% for the 10 years beginning January 1, 2014, at least 25% for the next 10 years and at least 35% beginning in 2034 to at least 15% by December 31, 2020, 20% by December 31, 2024, 25% by December 31, 2034 and 35% by December 31, 2035. The amendment

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1 excepts from the requirements school purchasers at schools participating in the National  
2 School Lunch Program.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

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**(See attached)**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1254

LR 892(02)

## An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in All State Institutions

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A' (H-510)

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Unfunded  
Future biennium cost increase - General Fund

#### State Mandates

**Required Activity**

Requires local school administrative units that do not participate in the National School Lunch Program to track and purchase a minimum percentage of Maine foodstuffs directly from Maine food producers or food brokers.

**Unit Affected**

School

**Local Cost**

Moderate  
limited scope

The required local activities in this bill may represent a State mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to fund at least 90% of the additional costs or a Mandate Preamble is amended to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement, municipalities may not be required to implement these changes.

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Establishing benchmarks for the purchase of foodstuffs produced or harvested by Maine producers will increase costs beginning in fiscal year 2019-20. The additional costs to state institutions cannot be estimated at this time, but a pricing sample of meat and frozen products indicate the additional costs could exceed \$250,000 per year.

Additional costs to the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System and the Maine Maritime Academy to comply with the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.