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1	L.D. 204	
2	Date: $3/11/2$ (Filing No. S- 23)	
3	AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY	
4	Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate.	
5	STATE OF MAINE	
6	SENATE	
7	130TH LEGISLATURE	
8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION	
9 0 1	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 93, L.D. 204, "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding the Interest Rate for State Loans under the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund"	
2	Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in the first line (page 1, line 18 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "is the" the following: 'federal'	
4 5	Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in the 2nd line (page 1, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "closing" and inserting the following: 'commitment'	
6 7	Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in the 3rd line (page 1, line 20 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "of the" the following: 'federal'	
.8 .9	Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 2-A in the 4th line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "on the date of loan closing"	
20 21	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.	
.2	SUMMARY	
3 4 25 26	This amendment specifies that the interest rate for state loans under the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund is the federal prime rate. The amendment also provides that the interest rate is set to reflect the federal prime rate on the date of loan commitment rather than the date of loan closing as in the bill.	
:7	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED	
28	(See attached)	

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LD 204

LR 326(02)

An Act To Amend the Law Regarding the Interest Rate for State Loans under the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (5 23)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Reduction in interest earnings - Potato Marketing Improvement Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Changing the interest rate on loans made through the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund from a fixed rate of 5% to the federal prime rate at the time of the loan commitment up to a maximum of 5% will reduce the amount of interest paid on the loan and deposited into the fund for future use. The reduction in interest earnings will depend on the number of loans issued at an interest rate that is lower than the current 5% rate.