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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to HP 55, L D 87, "An Act to Permit
Emergency Funding for Food Banks When a State of Emergency Is Declared"

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 9 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D) by
striking out the following ", the Governor" and inserting the following 'that exceeds 10
days, the Governor, in accordance with rules adopted by the Commissioner of Agriculture,
Conservation and Forestry.'

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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 9 in the last line (page 1, line 12 in L D) by
inserting after the following "subchapter 2-A" the following 'The Governor may not
suspend under Title 37-B, section 742, subsection 1, paragraph C, subparagraph (1) rules
adopted under this subsection'

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Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
number to read consecutively

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SUMMARY

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This amendment requires a state of emergency to exceed 10 days before the Governor
may distribute money from the stabilization fund to nonprofit entities in accordance with
the rules adopted by the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry The
amendment prevents the Governor from suspending the adopted rules during a state of
emergency

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 87

LR 487(02)

An Act to Permit Emergency Funding for Food Banks When a State of Emergency Is Declared

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-212)

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Maine Budget Stabilization Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill authorizes the Governor to distribute up to \$400,000 from the Maine Budget Stabilization Fund during a state of emergency that exceeds ten days to certain nonprofit entities in accordance with rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF). The amount and timing of any distribution will depend on when a state of emergency occurs and on how much funding is authorized by the Governor. Any costs to the ACF to conduct rulemaking regarding the manner in which the funding will be disbursed are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.