

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1371

House of Representatives, January 3, 2024

**An Act to Remove the Requirement for Edible Cannabis Products to
Be Stamped or Embossed on Each Serving with a Universal Symbol**

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BOYER of Poland.
Cosponsored by President JACKSON of Aroostook and
Representatives: CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, MILLIKEN of Blue Hill, MORRIS of Turner,
SUPICA of Bangor, Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland, Senator: HICKMAN of Kennebec.

1 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3 **Whereas,** current law requires edible cannabis products to be labeled with a universal
4 symbol in order to be sold or offered for sale; and

5 **Whereas,** this legislation proposes to remove the requirement for edible cannabis
6 products to be embossed or stamped with a universal symbol in order to be sold or offered
7 for sale; and

8 **Whereas,** this legislation needs to take effect as soon as possible since new guidance
9 from the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, office of cannabis policy is
10 affecting businesses currently operating; and

11 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within
12 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as
13 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
14 therefore,

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

16 **Sec. 1. 28-B MRS §703, sub-§1, ¶D,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 491, §5, is
17 repealed.

18 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation
19 takes effect when approved.

20 **SUMMARY**

21 This bill removes the requirement that edible cannabis products be stamped or
22 embossed on each serving with a universal symbol in order to be sold or offered for sale.