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## 132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1370

House of Representatives, December 5, 2025

#### An Act to Survey Food Insecurity in Maine

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

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 3, 2025. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Presented by Representative PLUECKER of Warren.

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

**Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §2, sub-§6,** as amended by PL 2025, c. 309, §§2 to 4, is further amended by enacting at the end a new last blocked paragraph to read:

The commissioner shall, with the input of the advisory committee and in partnership with outside agencies or other state agencies as necessary, institute an annual survey and regularly publish a report regarding food insecurity in the State. The survey may include measurements of disparities of food insecurity in social subgroups, including those defined by age, geography, income, race and veteran status.

9 SUMMARY

 This bill directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, in partnership with outside agencies or other state agencies as necessary, to institute, with input of the commissioner's advisory committee to guide the implementation of the State's strategic plan to end hunger in the State by 2030, an annual survey and regularly publish a report regarding food insecurity in the State.