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### **ACTS AND RESOLVES**

AS PASSED BY THE

# One Hundred and Third Legislature

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# STATE OF MAINE

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## **PUBLIC LAWS**

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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# One Hundred and Second Legislature

AT THE

### SPECIAL SESSION

January 17-February 9, 1966

PUBLIC LAWS, 1965

#### Chapter 463

# AN ACT Relating to Interstate Conferences and Compacts with the Maine Milk Commission.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, surplus or unregulated milk crossing state boundaries does not under present circumstances return the full use value to the dairy farmers producing said milk; and

Whereas, it is essential that the Maine Milk Commission be given the authority to exercise its power to regulate and control the purchase and sale of milk engaged in interstate commerce, in compact with other states having similar powers, as a means for maintaining orderly marketing conditions within this State; and

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

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

R. S., T. 7, § 2953-A, additional. Title 7 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2953-A to read as follows:

#### '§ 2953-A. Interstate conferences and compacts

The commission shall have power to enter into compacts, subject to congressional approval, with legally constituted milk commissions or similar authorities of other states or of the United States of America to effect a uniformity in regulating and insuring an adequate supply of pure and wholesome milk to the inhabitants of this State, to provide uniform control of milk produced in this State and handled in interstate commerce and to exercise all the powers hereunder for such purpose as well as the following powers:

- 1. Hearings. To conduct joint investigations and hearings and to issue joint or concurrent orders.
- 2. Enforcement. To employ or designate a joint agent or agencies to enforce such orders or compacts.
- 3. Classification. To provide for classifications of milk in accordance with the form in which it is used or moved with uniform minimum prices or methods of fixing such prices for each class.
- 4. Payments. To provide for payment to all producers and associations of producers delivering milk to dealers of uniform prices, subject to adjustments with the joint agent for location and butterfat content.

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5. Regulations. To make such joint regulations as may be incidental to the foregoing and not inconsistent thereto and as may be necessary to effectuate the above mentioned powers.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective January 28, 1966

#### Chapter 464

#### AN ACT Relating to Branding of Potatoes.

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

R. S., T. 7, § 952, amended. The first sentence of section 952 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 3 of chapter 219 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association, organization or corporation, or agent, representative or assistant to any person, firm, association, organization or corporation to expose for sale, or sell, at wholesale or retail, to ship, deliver or consign or have in possession potatoes prepared for market unless in containers which have been legibly and conspicuously tagged, branded, labeled or stenciled with the name and address of the person or persons responsible for packing and the name of the grade, net weight and the word "potatoes."

Effective May 11, 1966

### Chapter 465

AN ACT Establishing Legislative Finance Office as Secretariat for Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

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

R. S., T. 3, § 163, sub-§ 15, amended. Subsection 15 of section 163 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 341 and by section 2-D of chapter 425, both of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding at the end, a new paragraph, as follows:

'The Office of Legislative Finance Officer shall serve as the secretariat of the Joint Legislative Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.'

Effective May 11, 1966