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establishes procedures for providing notice, holding hearings and remedies that the commissioner may use when a person fails to pay a penalty.

The law also clarifies that a person who violates provisions of the Maine Weights and Measures Law relating to the sale of firewood commits a civil violation for which a fine must be adjudged in an amount not less than \$50 nor more than \$2,000, which is the penalty under current law applicable to violations for which there is no specific penalty. Finally, the law provides that administrative penalties do not apply to violations of the Maine Weights and Measures Law relating to the sale of firewood under Title 10, subchapter 7-A or the sale of commodities under Title 10, subchapter 2-A and that the civil penalties for a violation of those provisions under current law are unchanged.

**LD 103 An Act to Reorganize and Simplify Certain Exemptions in the Use Regulation Law**

**ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 11 reorganizes and simplifies certain exceptions in the use regulation law and the provisions in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12 that address procedures for the Land Use Planning Commission and the Department of Environmental Protection to streamline cross-jurisdictional projects and processes.

**LD 124 An Act to Protect the Right to Food**

**ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 309 does the following.

1. It amends the law governing edible landscaping throughout Capitol Park to allow collaboration with local, state or regional entities in developing and maintaining edible landscaping.
2. It provides that strategies to end hunger in the State by 2030 must include protecting the right to food as declared in the Constitution of Maine, Article I, Section 25.
3. It amends the Maine Food Sovereignty Act to:
  - A. Require the State, instead of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, to support certain policies, including promoting self-reliance and personal responsibility and enhancing rural economic development, and add as a policy protecting the right to food as declared in the Constitution of Maine, Article I, Section 25;
  - B. Establish food sovereignty principles;