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House of Representatives, January 27, 2015

An Act To Protect Farm Animals from Noise from the Discharge of Fireworks and Explosives

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative HOBART of Bowdoinham.

Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and

Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, CHACE of Durham, GROHMAN of Biddeford, HANLEY of Pittston, HILLIARD of Belgrade, LAJOIE of Lewiston, TEPLER of Topsham, TIMMONS of Cumberland.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §223-A, sub-§8, ¶C is enacted to read:
3 4 5	C. A person may not use consumer fireworks within 1,000 feet of any pasture of field that contains livestock. For purposes of this paragraph, "livestock" has the same meaning as in Title 17, section 1011, subsection 18-A.
6	Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2478 is enacted to read:
7	§2478. Use of explosives near livestock
8 9 10 11	A person may not use explosives, either loose or contained in a tube or other enclosure, within 1,000 feet of any pasture or field that contains livestock. For purposes of this section, "livestock" has the same meaning as in Title 17, section 1011, subsection 18-A.
12	SUMMARY
13 14 15	This bill prohibits the use of consumer fireworks or explosives, either loose or contained in a tube or other enclosure, within 1,000 feet of a field or pasture that contains livestock.