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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 506, L.D. 1376, Bill, “An Act To Establish a Local Food Producers and Processors to Consumers Pilot Program”

Amend the bill in section 1 in §219 in subsection 4 in the 2nd line (page 2, line 2 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "201-A," the following: 'upon the request of the eligible producers and eligible processors'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF
Division of Quality Assurance and Regulation 0393**

Initiative: Provides funds to establish a part-time Consumer Protection Inspector position and for related costs to assist local food producers and processors.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.500	0.500
Personal Services	\$27,923	\$38,015
All Other	\$10,679	\$10,905
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$38,602</u>	<u>\$48,920</u>
 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	 2015-16	 2016-17
All Other	\$120	\$160
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$120</u>	<u>\$160</u>

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

The bill requires the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to take certain actions to assist local food producers and processors. This amendment requires the department to take these actions upon the request of the eligible producers and processors. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)