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S.P. 230

In Senate, February 12, 2019

An Act To Reduce Hunger and Promote Maine Agriculture

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop and
Senators: BLACK of Franklin, BREEN of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, Representatives:
FECTEAU of Biddeford, HALL of Wilton, HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft, SKOLFIELD of
Weld, WADSWORTH of Hiram.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
3 allocations are made.

4 **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF**
5 **Statewide Hunger Relief Program N230**

6 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to contract with a nonprofit organization that provides
7 statewide hunger relief services to allow that organization to engage in statewide hunger
8 relief services, including, but not limited to, the purchase of food from Maine food
9 producers and processors, to provide grants to local hunger relief programs and to pay the
10 operational and distribution expenses of the organization.

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12	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
13	All Other	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
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15	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill provides an appropriation to allow the Department of Agriculture,
18 Conservation and Forestry to contract with a nonprofit organization that provides
19 statewide hunger relief services to allow that organization to:

- 20 1. Engage in statewide hunger relief services, including, but not limited to, the
21 purchase of food from Maine food producers and processors;
- 22 2. Provide grants to local hunger relief programs; and
- 23 3. Pay its operational and distribution expenses.