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An Act To Establish Annual Reporting for Genetically Engineered Crops

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §1051, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 602, §3, is amended to read:

4. Manufacturer. "Manufacturer" means a person that produces or commercializes a genetically engineered plant part, seed or plant, not including a farm operation ~~for the purposes of Title 17, section 2805~~ as defined in section 152, subsection 6.

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §1052, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Reporting. A manufacturer selling genetically engineered plant parts, plants or seeds in the State shall annually report to the commissioner the total potential acreage at a given planting density of genetically modified crops that could be grown based on the amount of each genetically engineered product sold in the State. Individual manufacturer data received under this subsection is confidential and may not be made public. The commissioner shall make public aggregate data that does not reveal the sales activities of an individual manufacturer. The commissioner shall provide aggregate data on sales of genetically engineered trees, tree seedlings, tree seeds, tree scions and other propagative materials to the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Forestry.

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