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126TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 888, L.D. 1254, Bill, “An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in All State Institutions”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §213, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Implementation schedule. The following percentages of foodstuffs purchased by a state or school purchaser, except for a school purchaser at a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program in accordance with 7 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 220 (2007), must come directly from Maine food producers or food brokers who assist in the distribution of foodstuffs produced or harvested by Maine food producers:

- A. By December 31, 2020, at least 15%;
- B. By December 31, 2024, at least 20%;
- C. By December 31, 2034, at least 25%; and
- D. By December 31, 2035, at least 35%.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and changes the implementation dates and minimum percentages regarding Maine foodstuffs that state and school purchasers must purchase directly from Maine food producers or food brokers. It changes the implementation schedule for Maine foodstuffs from at least 15% for the 10 years beginning January 1, 2014, at least 25% for the next 10 years and at least 35% beginning in 2034 to at least 15% by December 31, 2020, 20% by December 31, 2024, 25% by December 31, 2034 and 35% by December 31, 2035. The amendment

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1 excepts from the requirements school purchasers at schools participating in the National
2 School Lunch Program.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)