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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 908, L.D. 1386, “An Act to Provide
Emergency One-time Relief from the Wild Blueberry Tax for Sellers in Maine and Partial
Relief for Processors and Shippers”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act to Provide Emergency One-time Relief from the Wild Blueberry Tax for
Sellers in Maine'**

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emergency preamble.

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

**'Sec. 1. Temporary suspension of tax on sellers of blueberries harvested in
2025.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 4303, for calendar
year 2025 only, a processor or shipper responsible for reporting and paying the tax imposed
by Title 36, section 4303 may not charge or collect any portion of the tax levied under Title
36, section 4303 from a seller of wild blueberries harvested in calendar year 2025. A
processor or shipper remains responsible for payment of 1/2 of the tax imposed by Title
36, section 4303.

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Revenue Services, Bureau of 0002**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for computer programming costs.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$4,240	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$4,240	\$0

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1 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
2 number to read consecutively.

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause and expands
5 the temporary suspension of the tax to include all blueberries, regardless of where they
6 were harvested.

7 The amendment also includes an appropriations and allocations section.

8 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

9 **(See attached)**