## HP0485, LD 702, item 1, 124th Maine State Legislature An Act To Allow the Donation of Certain Perishable Food Products to Nonprofit Organizations

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

**Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §166, sub-§4,** as enacted by PL 1981, c. 300, is amended to read:

**4. Application.** This section applies to all good faith donations of perishable food which that is not readily marketable due to appearance, freshness, grade, surplus or other conditions, including food that is beyond the date by which the manufacturer recommends that the food be sold, but nothing in this section restricts the authority of any appropriate agency to regulate or bar the use of that food for human consumption.

## **SUMMARY**

This bill amends the law that establishes immunity for the donors and distributors of certain good faith food donations by clarifying that the immunity extends to donations of food that is beyond the date by which the manufacturer recommends that the food be sold.