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House of Representatives, March 7, 2013

**An Act To Enhance the Development and Implementation of
Integrated Pest Management Programs**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative CRAY of Palmyra.
Cosponsored by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook and
Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, McCABE of Skowhegan, NOON of Sanford, SAUCIER
of Presque Isle, TIMBERLAKE of Turner.

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

2 **Sec. 1.** 7 MRSA §607, sub-§6, as repealed and replaced by PL 2007, c. 466, Pt.
3 A, §25, is amended to read:

4 **6. Registration fee; validity.** The applicant desiring to register a pesticide must pay
5 an annual registration fee of ~~\$150~~ \$165 for each pesticide registered for that applicant.
6 Fifteen dollars of each fee must be deposited in an account of the University of Maine
7 Cooperative Extension to be used only for integrated pest management programs
8 established and administered by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension under
9 section 2406. Annual registration periods expire on December 31st or in a manner
10 consistent with Title 5, section 10002, whichever is later.

11 **Sec. 2.** 7 MRSA §2406 is enacted to read:

12 **§2406. University of Maine Cooperative Extension integrated pest management**
13 **programs**

14 The University of Maine Cooperative Extension shall establish and administer
15 integrated pest management programs. The extension shall seek the advice of the
16 Integrated Pest Management Council created in section 2404 in establishing the
17 programs. The extension shall use funds deposited pursuant to section 607 for the
18 purposes of this section. The extension shall use 10% of these funds for competitive
19 grants for integrated pest management projects undertaken by the faculty and staff at the
20 University of Maine. The extension shall administer the grant program.

21 **Sec. 3. Effective date.** Those sections of this Act that amend the Maine Revised
22 Statutes, Title 7, section 607, subsection 6 and enact Title 7, section 2406 take effect
23 January 1, 2014.

24 **SUMMARY**

25 This bill increases the annual registration fee for pesticides from \$150 to \$165
26 effective January 1, 2014. The bill requires that the additional funds raised from the
27 increase in the registration fees for pesticides are to be deposited in an account of the
28 University of Maine Cooperative Extension and may be used only for integrated pest
29 management programs established and administered by the University of Maine
30 Cooperative Extension with advice from the Integrated Pest Management Council. It also
31 requires that 10% of the fee increase be used for competitive grants for integrated pest
32 management projects by the faculty and staff at the University of Maine.