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House of Representatives, February 12, 2015

An Act Relating to the Sale of Hypodermic Apparatuses

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative SHAW of Standish.
Cosponsored by Senator EDGECOMB of Aroostook and
Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, DUNPHY of Old Town, HICKMAN of Winthrop,
MAREAN of Hollis, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, Senators: DAVIS
of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2383-B, sub-§6**, as amended by PL 2003, c. 386, §19, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **6. Lawful possession of hypodermic apparatuses by livestock owners; sale to**
5 **livestock owners.** A person who owns livestock is authorized to possess and have
6 control of hypodermic apparatuses for the purpose of administering antibiotics, vitamins
7 and vaccines to treat medical conditions or promote the health of that person's livestock,
8 and such possession and control are expressly authorized within the meaning of Title
9 17-A, section 1111, subsection 1, paragraph A. For the purposes of this subsection,
10 "livestock" means cattle, equines, sheep, goats, swine, members of the genus Lama,
11 poultry, rabbits and cervids as defined in Title 7, section 1333, subsection 1.

12 A. An agricultural supply store authorized to sell hypodermic apparatuses pursuant
13 to Title 32, section 13787-A, subsection 1 may furnish or sell, without limit in
14 number, hypodermic apparatuses to a person authorized to possess and have control
15 of hypodermic apparatuses pursuant to this subsection, and such furnishing or sale is
16 expressly authorized within the meaning of Title 17-A, section 1110, subsection 1-B.

17 **SUMMARY**

18 Current law permits an agricultural supply store to sell hypodermic apparatuses and a
19 livestock owner to possess hypodermic apparatuses for administering antibiotics,
20 vitamins and vaccines to treat medical conditions or promote the health of that person's
21 livestock.

22 This bill clarifies that an agricultural supply store may furnish or sell, without limit in
23 number, hypodermic apparatuses to a livestock owner and that the sale by the agricultural
24 supply store and the possession by the person who owns livestock expressly fall within
25 the exceptions to the laws restricting possession and furnishing of hypodermic
26 apparatuses.