

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 567

H. P. 462 On Motion of Mr. Conners of Franklin referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Conners of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Permit the Use of Salmon Eggs for Fishing Bait.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 2705 is enacted to read :

§ 2705. Salmon eggs for bait

Nothing in this Title shall prohibit the use of the eggs of either Atlantic sea run salmon or landlocked salmon for bait.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 2751-A, 1st ¶, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 562, § 27, is amended to read:

This shall not apply to tropical fish which are for aquarium purposes, except piranhas, walking catfish and white amur (grass carp) nor to the eggs of either Atlantic sea run salmon or landlocked salmon.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill permits the use of Atlantic sea run salmon eggs or landlocked salmon eggs for bait. The use of salmon eggs for bait is very common throughout the United States, and the eggs, which are preserved, pose no danger of introducing salmon into waters where they are not wanted.