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ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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Presented by Representative Zirnkilton of Mount Desert.
Cosponsor: Representative Salsbury of Bar Harbor.
STATE OF MAINE
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
AN ACT to Require that Persons must
Serve an Apprenticeship before they may be
Issued a Lobster Eishing License.

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

12 MRSA §6422 is enacted to read:
§6422. Restrictions on issuance of license
A lobster and crab fishing license may not be issued to any person who has never held such a li= cense before, unless:

1. Apprenticeship. The applicant furnishes, at the time of application, adequate evidence that he has served at least a one-year apprenticeship as sternman for a person who has held a valid lobster
2. Eifteen or fewer traps. The applicant intends to fish with 15 or fewer traps, in which case, the license may be issued bearing a restriction noted on the license that the licensee may only fish with 15 or fewer traps.

## STATEMENT OF EACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that persons applying for lobster and crab fishing licenses must first serve an apprenticeship before a license may be issued to them.

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