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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 20, L.D. 10, Bill, "An Act  
to Clarify the Enforcement Authority of the Maine Sardine Council"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 10 and  
inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 10. 32 MRSA §4170-A is enacted to read:

§4170-A. Penalties

A packer who violates any provision of this subchapter  
commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed  
\$1,000 may be adjudged. In addition to any forfeiture imposed  
under this section, the court may order a packer to forfeit to  
the council all or any portion of any bond required by this  
subchapter.'

FISCAL NOTE

The additional workload and administrative costs associated  
with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system  
can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial  
Department. The collection of additional fines may increase  
General Fund revenues by a minor amount.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment changes the penalty provision in the bill  
from a Class E crime to a civil violation with a maximum fine of  
\$1,000 and also adds a fiscal note.

Reported by Senator Gould for the Committee on Marine Resources.  
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