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MARINE RESOURCES

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
124TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 977, L.D. 1398, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Aquaculture Laws"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 11 (page 5, lines 14 to 18 in L.D.)

Amend the bill in section 13 in §6086 in subsection 3 in paragraph D in the last 2 lines (page 7, lines 35 and 36 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "accrue to the Aquaculture Management Fund established under section 6072-D" and inserting the following: 'be sent to the owner of the equipment or stock or the owner's heirs'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report and removes the provision from the bill that authorizes the Commissioner of Marine Resources to refuse to renew or issue a license or permit to the holder of an aquaculture lease that fails to pay related fees or charges. It also provides that any proceeds that are left over from the sale of abandoned equipment or stock after all debts are paid must be sent to the owner of the abandoned equipment or stock or that person's heirs.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1398

LR 539(03)

An Act To Amend the Aquaculture Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *B*

Committee: Marine Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2009-10	2010-11	Projections 2011-12	Projections 2012-13
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$175)	(\$175)
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$175	\$175
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$300	\$800	\$1,775	\$1,775

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increases the number of civil suits.

The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation proposes changes to aquaculture leases and would result in increased Other Special Revenue Funds revenue of \$300 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$800 in fiscal year 2010-11. Additional costs to the Department of Marine Resources associated with these leases can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.