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CHAPTER 178

AN ACT to Repeal the Ban on Otter or Beam Trawls in a Certain Part of Washington County Territorial Waters.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the annual fishing season is about to begin; and

Whereas, this Act permits the use of otter or beam trawls in the St. Croix River above or north of Quoddy Head Lighthouse; and

Whereas, the potential fish catch in this area is of great economic benefit to the inhabitants of Washington County and of this State; and

Whereas, this Act must take effect as soon as possible so that this much-needed benefit may be realized by the inhabitants of Washington County and of the State; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

12 MRSA § 4203, first ¶, as amended by PL 1967, c. 210, is further amended to read:

From May 1st to December 15th of each year the use of either otter or beam trawls within the territorial waters of Washington County is prohibited except the St. Croix River above or north of Quoddy Head lighthouse.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective May 17, 1977

CHAPTER 179

AN ACT to Provide Fees for Consumer Education Materials.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Bureau of Consumer Protection's program of consumer education is supported by fees charged the creditors it regulates; and