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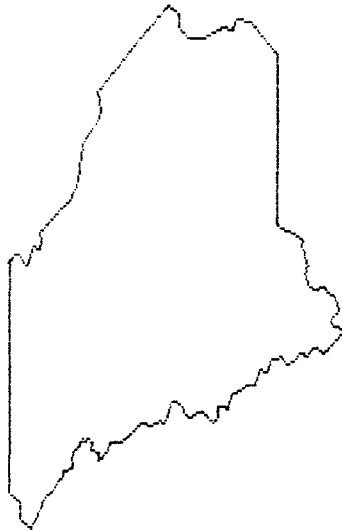


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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
Marine Resources

BILL SUMMARY



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729	AN ACT CONCERNING THE TAKING OF SCALLOPS	Livesay	LV/WD
787	AN ACT TO REGULATE STRIPED BASS FISHING	Carter	ENACT. PL 250

SUMMARY: In its final form, this bill establishes the following limits on striped bass:

- less than 16" in length - no taking
- 16" - 24" - maximum of 4 fish per day
- greater than 24" - no limit

825	AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A REDUCED FEE FOR LOBSTER FISHING LICENSES FOR PERSONS 70 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER	Conners	
856	AN ACT TO ENFORCE CLOSED PERIODS OF LOBSTER FISHING	Conners	LV/WD
870	AN ACT TO REVISE THE STATUTES RELATING TO FISH WEIRS	Vose	OTIP-ND

SUMMARY: Enacted in new draft as LD 1486 (Resolve, chapter 26).

This resolve establishes a moratorium on new applications for fish weir licenses. Existing fish weirs or applications now pending will not be affected. The moratorium extends until July 1, 1984, and is intended to control fish weir construction until the Legislature is able to study the conflicts resulting from this situation, and propose a comprehensive solution.

945	AN ACT TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION OF LOBSTER RESOURCES	Conners	ONIP
1006	AN ACT TO AMEND THE WHOLESALE SEAFOOD LICENSE LAW	Benoit	ENACT. PL 230

SUMMARY: Allows for the sale in the State of scallops that have been harvested beyond the territorial waters of the State. Present law will not allow a vessel rigged to fish to sell or transport species. This is a specific exemption to allow large offshore scallop fishermen to come into Maine ports and sell their scallops.