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1007 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OR LANDING OF PLUGGED LOBSTERS Crowley OTP-ND

SUMMARY: Enacted in new draft as LD 1456 (c. 227).

Authorizes the Commissioner of Marine Resources to adopt regulations prohibiting the possession of plugged lobsters, provided that he has determined that these regulations will not adversely affect lobster importation from Canada.

1080 AN ACT CONCERNING FISHWAYS IN DAMS AND OTHER ARTIFICIAL OBSTRUCTIONS IN COASTAL WATER Minkowsky REF'D TO COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: Enacted in new draft as LD (c.).

The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife currently has the authority to require fishways on new or existing dams. This and a related bill, ID , revises the administrative procedures for determining the need for fishways, and grants enforcement authority to the Commissioner of Marine Resources over dams in tidal waters.

1117 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SARDINE INSPECTION TAX Salsbury ENACT. PL 85

1171 AN ACT TO LICENSE THE HARVEST OF SEaweEDS Minkowsky ENACT. PL 116

1172 AN ACT TO LICENSE THE HARVEST OF SEaweEDS Minkowsky

1175 AN ACT TO REJUVENATE THE FISHING INDUSTRY IN MAINE Brown, L REF'D TO COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: Enacted in new draft as LD 1652 (c.).

Provides funding to 3 programs to encourage development of renewable marine resources. The programs were included in the recommendations of the Governor's Task Force on the Economy of Washington County relating to renewable marine resources. The shellfish pathology program is designed to strengthen the state's shellfish certification program. As the aquaculture industry continues to refine its techniques, expand its operations and provide more and diverse products, the need to provide pathological assessment services will increase. Part of this situation involves the importation of product, both for culturing as seed stock and for table stock. In either case, it is important to know that the imported product is free from disease to prevent contamination of the state's waters. The other direction is important, as well as the state's producers seek to sell