

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 503

H. P. 388

House of Representatives, February 2, 1971

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Carter of Winslow.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Transporting Piranhas, Catfish and Fresh-water Fish.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 2751-A, amended. The first paragraph of section 2751-A of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 29 of chapter 448 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

No person shall introduce ~~or~~, import or transport any live fresh-water fish or eggs into the State or receive or have in possession such fish or eggs, so introduced ~~or~~, imported or transported, without written permission of the commissioner. This shall not apply to tropical fish which are for aquarium purposes, except piranhas (Genus *Serrasalmus*) and catfish, walking, Asian (*Clariidae*).

STATEMENT OF FACT

Piranhas and catfish are considered undesirable for importation in North America other than for scientific and educational purposes.