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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 105TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 591, L. D. 1749, Bill,
"AN ACT to Correct Certain Errors and Inconsistencies in the Fish
and Game Laws."

Amend said Bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

'Sec. 4-A. R.S., T. 12, § 1960, amended. The 3rd paragraph of section 1960 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 4 of chapter 404 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

Hearings shall be held on all prospective changes in regulations during the months of <u>February</u>, <u>March</u>, August and September of each year, before the commissioner, or such other officer of the department as the commissioner may designate in his stead, at a date and place to be designated by the commissioner but in the county affected. Petitions shall be filed in the office of the commissioner as follows: Not later than <u>February 1st</u> for hearing in <u>February and March and not later than</u> August 1st for hearing in August and September.

Sec. 4-B. R. S., T. 12, § 1960, amended. The 5th paragraph of section 1960 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Such regulations shall become effective 90 days following the date when the commissioner promulgates such regulations.

Sec. 4-C. R. S., T. 12, § 1960, amended. The first sentence of the 6th paragraph of section 1960 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 208 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

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The commissioner shall cause the regulations to be reduced to writing and publish the same once a week for 2 successive weeks in a newspaper having state-wide circulation and in a newspaper published in the county where the waters are situated and which are affected thereby, the last publication being prior to <code>January-lst-fellowing-the-date-of-the-hearing</code> the effective date of the regulations.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to provide 2 additional months, February and March, for hearings to promulate regulations.

Filed by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake.

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