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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 471

H. P. 356

House of Representatives, January 30, 1973
Referred to the Committee on Marine Resources. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bunker of Gouldsboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Appropriating Funds for a Fishway at West Bay Pond in Gouldsboro.

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

Sec. 1. Fishway. A fishway shall be erected under the supervision of the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries at the outlet of Lower West Bay Pond Dam in Gouldsboro.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$7,700 to be available to the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries to carry out the purposes of this Act. This appropriation may be used for federal matching purposes and shall not lapse but shall be a continuing carrying account until the completion of said fish-

STATEMENT OF FACT

The West Bay Pond alewife run, controlled by the Town of Gouldsboro is presently at a low level due to the lack of fish passage facilities in the dam at the pond outlet. Lobster fishermen depend greatly on alewives for lobster bait and low levels of the existing run cannot satisfy present demand. A fish passage facility would provide an increase in the alewife resources to an estimated annual landing of 100,000 pounds valued at \$4,000.

The cost of this fishway is estimated at \$15,400 of which \$7,700 is available from federal funds under the Anadromous Fisheries Act.