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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
106TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT" A " to H.P. 1614, L.D. 2031, Bill, "AN ACT to Conserve, Manage and Regulate the Lobster Fishery."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. R.S., T. 12, §4404, sub-§ 5, repealed and replaced.
Subsection 5 of section 4404 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

5. License fee. The fee for a lobster and crab fishing license is \$50, which the applicant shall enclose with his application.

Sec. 2. R.S., T. 12, §4404, sub-§6, repealed and replaced.
Subsection 6 of section 4404 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

6. Lobster Conservation Fund. All revenues received from lobster and crab fishing license fees shall be allocated to the Lobster Conservation Fund, which does not lapse. Fees so collected or allocated in any one year may be used in the same or any succeeding year.

A. The commissioner may expend 20% of the money in the Lobster Conservation Fund for the purpose of propagation of lobsters and for purchasing seed lobsters from Maine lobster pounds and female lobsters from Maine wholesale dealers and liberating said lobsters in Maine coastal waters.

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B. Eighty per cent of the Lobster Conservation Fund shall be used for additional coastal warden service.

Sec. 3. R.S., T. 12, §4404, sub-§7, repealed. Subsection 7 of section 4404 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is repealed.

Sec. 4. R.S., T. 12, §4453-A, additional. Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 4453-A to read as follows:

§4453-A. Limitation

On and after January 1, 1974 it shall be unlawful for any person holding a lobster and crab fishing license to fish more than 500 lobster traps or pots.

Sec. 5. R.S.T. 12, §4461, amended. The first paragraph of section 4461 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

It is unlawful for any person to set, raise or haul in-or-from the-tidal-waters-of-this-State any pot or trap for any lobster or crab, or to cause the same to be done without having it-and the buoy attached thereto plainly carved or branded with his lobster and crab fishing license number, and unless there is attached to the sill of the trap a metal tag containing the individual's lobster fishing license number and the current license year of issue plainly embossed thereon. Said lobster trap tags shall be issued by the commissioner, or his representative, with the individual's lobster fishing license when application for license is made. The number of tags issued will be 500. The commissioner, with the

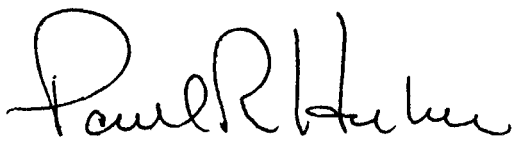
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advice and consent of the Sea and Shore Fisheries Advisory Council, is empowered to issue additional tags when they determine that an emergency situation exists.

Sec. 6. Effective date. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 1974. Lobster and crab fishing licenses shall be renewable on January 1st of each succeeding year.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to set specific number of traps to be hauled and increase license fee.


(Huber)

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