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H. P. 1849 Referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

Presented by Mr. Briggs of Caribou.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR

AN ACT to Initiate Issuance of Nonresident Marine Sports Fishing Licenses.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 1901, sub-§ 3-A, additional. Section 1901 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 3-A, to read as follows:

3-A. Coastal waters. "Coastal waters" means all waters of the State within the rise and fall of the tide and the marine limits of the jurisdiction of the State.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2401-B, amended. The first paragraph of section 2401-B of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 409 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

No person except those so licensed under chapters 401 to 417 shall fish in any inland waters of the State, or any coastal waters, except in accordance with this section.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This change would require all persons sport fishing in coastal waters, except those licensed by Marine Fisheries, to obtain a fishing license from the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game. This Act is pursuant to Management and Cost Survey recommendation number 10 in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game. The Governor supported this recommendation in his Special Message to the Special Session of the 106th Legislature on January 10, 1974.