

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 2587**

S. P. 942

In Senate, March 18, 1974

Reported by Senator Danton of York from Committee on Marine Resources, pursuant to Joint Order (S. P. 930) and printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FOUR

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**AN ACT to Provide for a Moratorium on the Issuance of Lobster and  
Crab Fishing Licenses.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 4404, sub-§ 9, additional.** Section 4404 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 67 of the public laws of 1967 and by chapter 397 of the public laws of 1973, is further amended by adding a new subsection 9 to read as follows:

9. **License freeze.** On and after the effective date of this Act, lobster and crab fishing licenses shall be issued only to license holders of record with the Department of Marine Resources, which were issued for the calendar year ending December 31, 1973 and which were issued in 1974 prior to the effective date of this Act.

**Sec. 2. Limitation.** This Act shall remain in effect until December 31, 1975.

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

The purpose of this Act is to provide that there shall be a moratorium on lobster and crab fishing licenses.