

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 755

H. P. 612

House of Representatives, February 21, 1975

Referred to Committee on Marine Resources. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Pierce of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Exempt Maine Residents 65 Years of Age or Older from Having
to Obtain a Commercial Shellfish License.

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

12 MRSA § 4301, sub-§ 9 is enacted to read:

9. Exemption for Maine residents 65 years of age or older. No Maine resident 65 years of age or older shall be required to obtain a commercial shellfish license under this section in order to dig or take any quantity of clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the flats, shores or coastal waters of the State.

FISCAL NOTE

It is estimated that there are 157 licensed clam diggers over 65, and that the loss in revenue caused by passage of this Act will be \$471 annually.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act exempts any Maine resident 65 years of age or older from having to obtain a commercial shellfish license if he wishes to dig more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of a bushel of shellfish in any one day.