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HOUSE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 2079, L.D. 2242, Bill, "AN ACT to Allocate Part of Lobster and Crab Fishing License Fees to the Lobster Fund and Boat Fund."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated as paragraph "A" of subsection 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'A. Five dollars of each lobster and crab fishing license fee shall be allocated to the Lobster Fund for the purpose of purchasing seed lobsters from Maine lobster pound owners. Fees allocated to the fund in any one year and not obligated or expended by December 31st of that year shall be paid over to the Boat Fund as herein established.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the first blocked paragraph of that part designated paragraph "B" of subsection 6, including the letter "B"

Statement of Fact

This amendment removes the upper limit of \$50,000 for the purchase of seed lobsters and permits the department to exceed that amount in any year in which more seed lobsters are available. The program is an important method to conserve the lobster resource.

Filed by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington.

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