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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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HOUSE AMENDMENT"A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT"A" to H.P. 2131, L.D. 2277, Bill, "AN ACT Concerning Shellfish Licensing."

Amend said amendment by striking out all of the 24th, 25th and 26th paragraphs and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Further amend said Bill in section 5 by striking out all of paragraph A of subsection 2 of that part designated "§3757." and inserting in place thereof the following:

The commissioner shall hold a public hearing prior to adopting regulations. Notice of the public hearing shall be published once, within 14 to 30 days before the hearing, in 2 newspapers published daily with general, state-wide circulation and in other newspapers or journals of general circulation adequate to provide reasonable notice to the public and members of the fisheries' industry affected thereby. The regulations adopted after the hearing shall be published in 2 newspapers published daily with general, statewide circulation and in other newspapers or journals of general circulation adequate to provide reasonable notice fisheries' to the public and members of the industry at least once, at least 14 days before they become effective. They may be amended or repealed at any time by the commissioner after like notice, hearing and publication of the portions amended or repealed. The commissioner shall by February 1st of each session of the Legislature, submit the regulations to the Legislature for review.'

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## Statement of Fact

This amendment makes those provisions governing public notice of proposed regulations or regulation changes consistent with those provisions concerning public notice of proposed public hearings.

Filed by Mr. Higgins of Scarborough.

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