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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to H.P. 2157, L.D. 2291, Bill,  
"AN ACT Concerning the Seining of Mackerel in the Territorial  
Waters of Washington County."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause  
the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature  
do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment  
unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the City of Eastport suffered a disastrous blow  
to its economy by the ~~Ground Hog~~ gale of recent date; and

Whereas, the Mearl Corporation has suffered a disastrous  
loss by the synthetic manufacture of ~~Pearl~~ <sup>pearl essence</sup> essence by a new  
method, ~~which~~ the Mearl Corporation had been making from fish  
scales, necessitating the "lay off" of many employees; and

Whereas, the Mearl Corporation has found a method of  
processing mackerel for food consumption by canning; and

Whereas, the problem is to secure a source of mackerel in a  
sufficiently large quantity to insure the successful operation  
of the project, thereby putting these workers back on their jobs; and

Whereas, an emergency preamble is necessary to enable the  
plant to start operating on the spring run of fish; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, '

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to add an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the Bill.

Reported by the Committee on Marine Resources.

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