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STATE OF MAINE
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(Filing No. H-398)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 188, L. D. 250, Bill
"AN ACT to Eliminate Weight Limits on Certain Species of
Fish and to Provide for Uniform Possession Limits by Numbers."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the title and
inserting in its place the following:

'AN ACT Concerning Possession Limits on Certain Species of
Fish.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out everything in
Sec.1 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §2553, ¶¶1 and 2 as amended, are
repealed and the following enacted in their place:

During any one day of any open season no person shall
take, catch, kill or have in his possession, more than 3
salmon or 3 togue or 5 trout or more than 5 in the aggregate
of salmon, togue and trout from any or all of the lakes and
ponds of the State. From brooks, streams and rivers 3
trout may be added to the 5-trout limit for a total of 8
trout or no more than 8 in the aggregate of salmon, togue
and trout from any or all the waters of the State; except
that in Aroostook County from brooks, streams and rivers, 7
trout may be added to the 5-trout limit for a total of 12

trout or no more than 12 ^{the} in/aggregate of salmon, togue and trout from any or all brooks, streams and rivers of the county.

For the above paragraph, the term "trout" shall include brook trout (square tail), brown trout, rainbow trout, sunapee trout and blueback trout only.

During any one day of any open season no person shall take, catch, kill or have in his possession more than 5 black bass, 8 whitefish and 10 chain pickerel from any or all of the inland waters of the State.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment retains the present law limiting the daily possession of trout, salmon, togue and black bass to 7 1/2 pounds, in addition to the number limits spelled out in the bill. This amendment also provides for a greater number of trout to be taken in Aroostook County.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife.

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