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L.D. 851

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "C" to H.P. 715,
L.D. 851, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify and Limit the Authority of Municipalit
to Establish Shellfish Conservation Programs and to License and
Regulate the Taking of Shellfish."

Amend the Amendment by inserting at the end before the
statement of fact the following:

'Sec. 5. Authority to expend funds. The Commissioner of
Marine Resources is authorized to obligate and expend from the
Shellfish Fund revenues not to exceed \$50,000 to retain personal
services, all other and capital expenditures for 3 area biologists.
The obligation of these funds shall be / ^{discretionary} with the commissioner
and shall depend on the amount of services which the Department of
Marine Resources shall provide to municipalities in carrying out the
intent of this Act. The Commissioner of Marine Resources shall be
further authorized to include an appropriation request for the
continuation of these services in the biennial budget for the
fiscal years 1980-1981.'

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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to permit the commissioner, with discretionary power and authority, to obligate from the Shellfish Fund a limited amount of money to employ 3 area biologists. This authority will better enable the commissioner to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Filed by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington.

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