

# ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

### No. 1195

H. P. 994 On motion of Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington, referred to the Committee on Marine Resources. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington.

### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

#### AN ACT to Repeal the Scallop Drag Law in Blue Hill Bay.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

12 MRSA § 4004, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 431, is repealed.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to repeal the statute that limits the use of scallop drags in Blue Hill Bay to combinations not exceeding 8 feet in width. Underwater observations of the scallop drags in operation reveal that on the average they are only 10 to 15% efficient. The drag restrictions, that are repealed by this bill, only impose additional inefficiency that is unwarranted for conservation purposes.