

### ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

#### **Legislative Document**

## No. 370

S. P. 169

In Senate, February 7, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Marine Resources. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator Chapman of Sagadahoc.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

#### STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

# AN ACT to Increase the Term of Special Licenses under the Marine Resources Law.

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

12 MRSA § 6074, sub-§ 6, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, § 5, is amended to read:

The commissioner shall annually renew the license on request 4 19 times after the initial issuance, unless the license holder has not complied with the conditions of the license.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to increase the term of a marine resources special license from 5 years to 20 years, by allowing 19 automatic renewals instead of only 4. This increased term is vital to some proposed aquaculture projects that require large capital investment. Without the longer period, these investments will be too risky.