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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-252)  
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 432, L.D. 549, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish a Deadline for Removal of Ice Fishing Shacks."

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

'AN ACT to Authorize the Commissioner of Marine Resources to Adopt Regulations Governing the Removal of Ice Fishing Shacks.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out every thing after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'12 MRSA §6173-A is enacted to read:

§6173-A. Ice fishing

The commissioner may, after notice and hearing and with the advice and consent of the advisory council, adopt or amend regulations governing the placing and removal of shacks or temporary structures used for ice fishing on any frozen coastal waters. The regulations may establish dates for removing those structures, or prohibiting the placing of those structures on the frozen waters of any river or part of a river within the rise and fall of the tide. The purpose of these regulations shall be to minimize or eliminate the loss or breaking up of those structures and the resulting littering and pollution.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment replaces the statutory enactment of a deadline for removing ice fishing shacks, with a provision granting regulatory powers to the commissioner. This will allow greater flexibility in establishing deadlines.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Marine Resources  
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