

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 633

H. P. 492

House of Representatives, February 16, 1979

Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Mr. Dow of West Gardiner referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Gillis of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Increase Fees for Atlantic Salmon Permits.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 2552, sub-§ 7, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 772, § 13, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

7. Atlantic Salmon. No person shall fish for Atlantic sea run salmon in any internal waters of this State, except in accordance with chapter 611.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 6253, sub-§ 5 is enacted to read:

5. Resident and nonresident permits; fee. An Atlantic salmon permit shall be issued by the commission to fish for Atlantic salmon. The fee for that permit shall be: \$5 for any resident of this State, 16 years of age or older; and \$10 for any nonresident, 16 years of age or older. The commission may also appoint clerks of towns or other agents to issue that permit. Any clerk or agent so appointed shall retain 25¢ for each permit issued. The permit shall be kept on the person while fishing for or transporting Atlantic salmon taken from waters specifically regulated by the Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission. All proceeds, except for necessary expenses for issuing, shall be paid to the commission for the purposes of developing the Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Restoration Program.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill changes the Atlantic salmon stamp to a permit and the fees from \$1 for residents to \$5, and \$15 to \$10 for nonresidents. Total revenues are not expected to change significantly.