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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Provide for Oversight of Marine Research by the Department of
Marine Resources.**

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

12 MRSA § 6024, sub-§ 5 is enacted to read:

5. Research oversight. The commissioner shall annually report to the council on the research of the department. The report shall include the present research plan and its implementation, any necessary revision of the plan and its necessary extension over the planning period. The council shall appoint 3 marine scientists, who are not employees of the department, to advise it in considering the research plan. After completing its review, the council shall report the plan, and any recommendations or comments, to the Legislature.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill authorizes the Marine Resources Advisory Council to review the Department of Marine Resources' research plan. The council is required to appoint 3 nonemployees of the Department of Marine Resources to advise it on this review. Then, the plan and any recommendations and comments are to be reported to the Legislature.

This bill is a recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on Marine Research of the 108th Legislature, as part of its study and report.