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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 799, L.D. 953, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Purposes for Special Marine Resources Licenses to Include Educational Institutions."

Amend the Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, marine displays in aquariums and other educational institutions document an important part of our natural and cultural heritage; and

Whereas, these educational institutions must now obtain numerous licenses at great expense to collect marine organisms; and

Whereas, restrictions intended to control commercial harvesting also apply to these educational institutions, and licenses prevent educational institutions from collecting the best possible displays of marine organisms; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to add an emergency provision to the bill.

Reported by the Committee on Marine Resources. Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.

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