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(New Draft of S.P. 173, L.D. 528)

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1171

S.P. 388

In Senate, March 15, 1983

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printed under Joint Rule 2.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE

AN ACT to License the Harvest of
Seaweeds.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6001, sub-§38-A is enacted to
read:

38-A. Seaweed. "Seaweed" means all marine algae.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6801, as amended by PL 1981, c.
480, §7, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6802 is enacted to read:

§6802. Seaweed permit

1 1. Permit required. It is unlawful for any person
2 to engage in the activities authorized by the permit
3 under this section without a current seaweed permit
4 or other license issued under this Part authorizing
5 the activities.

6 2. Other licenses. The holder of a current marine
7 worm dealer or wholesale seafood license may engage
8 in the activities authorized under this section with-
9 out paying any additional fees.

10 3. Permitted activities. The holder of a seaweed
11 permit may take seaweed or possess, ship, transport
12 or sell seaweed that he has harvested for commercial
13 purposes.

14 4. Supplemental permit. An employee or immediate
15 relation of the holder of a current seaweed permit
16 may obtain a supplemental permit to engage in the ac-
17 tivities authorized by this section.

18 5. Fee. The fee for a seaweed permit is:

19 A. \$3 for a resident;

20 B. \$25 for a nonresident; and

21 C. \$1 for a supplemental permit.

22 STATEMENT OF FACT

23 This new draft exempts holders of marine worm
24 dealers and wholesale seafood licenses from the re-
25 quirement to obtain a seaweed permit. The bill also
26 provides \$1 supplemental permits and reduces the fee
27 for a resident permit from \$13 to \$3.

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