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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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7 HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
8 to H.P. 1516, L.D. 1991, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide
9 Limitations on Fishing by Weirs, Purse and Stop
10 Seines and to Provide Notice for the Location of
11 Weirs and their Maintenance."

12 Amend the Amendment by striking out all of the
13 5th and 6th paragraphs and inserting in their place
14 the following:

15 'Further amend the Bill in section 4 by striking
16 out all of that part designated "§1023." and insert-
17 ing in its place the following:

18 §1023. Expiration of license

19 The license for the building or extension of a
20 fish weir or trap issued under section 1022 or any
21 right or privilege granted by the Legislature for the
22 building or extension of any such fish weir or trap
23 shall terminate and become void unless such weir or
24 trap shall be built within one year from the date of
25 the license or the granting of such right or privi-
26 lege, and maintained and operated in good faith ~~for~~
27 some part from April 10th to October 15th of each
28 year thereafter. A weir that is not under active con-
29 struction by July 15th in any year shall not be con-
30 sidered a weir for the remainder of the year. Written
31 notice to the municipality and the commissioner shall
32 be made by the licensee 7 days prior to when the fish
33 weir is being cleaned or repaired, during the period
34 from April 10th to October 15th stating the dates,
35 totaling no more than 7 days, that the weir is not
36 maintained and operated. The weir may be removed from
37 operating condition at any time due to adverse weath-
38 er conditions. The commissioner shall, by July 25th

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1 each year, report to the municipality the name of the
2 licensed owner and location of each weir and whether
3 the weir was in operating condition on April 10th of
4 that year.'

5 STATEMENT OF FACT

6 This amendment inserts dates into the bill which
7 correspond to the purse seining closure dates in
8 Washington County. Because of the importance of the
9 fish supply to factories in Washington County and the
10 corresponding employment of individuals in these fac-
11 tories, this amendment mandates that fish weirs be
12 operational throughout the entire purse seining clo-
13 sure period to ensure fish supplies and employment in
14 Washington County.

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