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	(New Draft of H.P. 1309, L.D. 1825)  (New Title)  SECOND REGULAR SESSION	
	ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE	
Legisla	ative Document	No. 2325
and prin	House of Representatives, ported by Representative Zirnkilton from the Committee inted under Joint Rule 2. Original bill sponsored by Representative Jackson of Harrison and Representative Bonney of	on Taxation esentative of Oxford,
	EDWIN H.	. PERT, Clerk
	STATE OF MAINE	
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX	
1A	N ACT to Provide for a Study of Excise on Watercraft.	Taxes
Be it follow	enacted by the People of the State of ws:	Maine as
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7	bers shall be persons with knowledge of watercraft taxation and its impact upon municipal governments. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the Speaker of the House of Representatives within 30 days of the effective date of this Act. The commission shall choose a chairman from among its members.
8 9 10 11 12 13 14	Sec. 2. Duties. The commission shall study the watercraft excise tax and its impact upon municipalities and watercraft owners. It shall investigate other methods of taxation of watercraft and shall make recommendations to the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature for any changes in the current watercraft excise tax.
15 16	Sec. 3. Expenses. Members shall receive reasonable expenses for attendance at commission meetings.
17 18	Sec. 4. Staff. The commission may request staffing from the Legislative Council.
19 20 21	Sec. 5. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.
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24 25 26	Watercraft Excise Tax Study Commission All Other \$10,200 Provides funds for ex-

penses, for printing and related expenses.

27 28 This new draft provides for a study of the water-craft excise tax by a special study commission composed of members of the Joint Standing Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife, the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources and the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation as well as members of the public. The commission will make recommendations to the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature for changes in the watercraft excise tax.

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