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H.P. 599 House of Representatives, March 17, 1987 Reported by Representative FARREN from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and ordered printed under Joint Rule 2. Original Bill sponsored by Representative JACQUES of Waterville. Cosponsored by Representative ROTONDI of Athens. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Limit the Party Size to 12 Persons for all Groups Operating with a Guide on Inland Waters.

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

Whereas, the guiding season for inland waters runs from May to late September; and

10 Whereas, there is concern for the safety and 11 well-being of summer tourists, campers and residents 12 who pay for the professional services of a guide who 13 may overreach his guiding abilities by leading a par-14 ty that is too large; and

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Whereas, this bill will not take effect until af-1 ter the peak boating season, unless it is passed as 2 3 an emergency; and

the judgment of 4 the Legislature, Whereas, in these facts create an emergency within the meaning of 5 the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-6 7 vation of the public peace, health and safety; 8 now, 9 therefore,

it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 10 Be 11 follows:

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12 MRSA §7301, sub-§8-A is enacted to read:

13	8-A. Size limitation. No registered guide may
14	lead a party which contains more than 12 persons on
	any lake, stream or other waterway in the State.
16	This subsection is repealed on April 1, 1989.

17 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-18 proved. 19

STATEMENT OF FACT

21 The purpose of this new draft is to ensure that no registered guide may lead a group of more than 12 22 persons on any lake, stream or other waterway in the State. This provision will be repealed in 2 years. 23 24

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