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L.D. 705

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 520, L.D. 705, Bill, "An Act Concerning Special Marine Resources Permits"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6074, first ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c. 189, is further amended to read:

The commissioner may, with the advice and consent of the advisory council, issue a special license for research, aquaculture or education, which exempts the holder from one or more marine resources' laws as to the time, place, length, condition, amount and manner of taking or possessing any marine organism. Special licenses issued by the commissioner to employees of the department when they are acting in their capacity as employees under the direction of the commissioner or the commissioner's designated representative do not require the advice and consent of the advisory council.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6074, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1983, c. 662, §4, is further amended to read:

5. Fees. The annual fee for a special license shall be \$25. An annual fee of \$10 shall be paid for each individual after the first individual. No license fee may be required for a special license for raising and selling Pacific salmon. No license fee may be required from a municipality for a special license for using a hydraulic dredge under section 6623. No license fee may be required for employees of the department when they are acting in their capacity as employees under the direction of the commissioner or the commissioner's designated representative.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment replaces the original bill and allows the Commissioner of Marine Resources to issue special licenses, without advisory council approval, to employees of the department when acting in their official capacity. It also deletes the fee for the special license in those instances.

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