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No. 1130

S.P. 419

In Senate, April 11, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

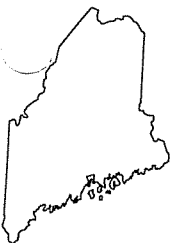
Presented by Senator ESTES of York.

Cosponsored by Representative REED of Falmouth and Representative SKOGLUND of St George.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Dealing with Removal of Dislodged Lobster Gear.



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

3 **12 MRSA §6434**, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is
amended to read:

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§6434. Molesting gear

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9 It shall be unlawful for any person, except a coastal
warden, the licensed owner or a person having written permission
11 from the licensed owner, to raise, lift, transfer, possess or in
any manner molest any lobster trap, warp, buoy or car. This
13 section shall not apply to the removal of any lobster trap, warp,
buoy or car that is dislodged and is found above the mean low
15 tide mark.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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21 This bill amends the law prohibiting the molestation of
lobster gear by allowing the removal of dislodged or otherwise
damaged lobster gear from property above the mean low tide mark.