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STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 453, L.D. 1225, Bill, "An Act to Amend Laws Regulating the Sardine Industry"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §4159, as amended by PL 1985, c. 268, §6, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§4159. Sale or packing of herring

The sale and packing of herring is subject to the following.

1. Human consumption and bait purposes. If there is a buyer of herring for processing for human consumption within a reasonable distance of the place where the herring are caught that is available at the time they are offered for sale and ready and willing to purchase at a price acceptable to the seller, it is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer for sale or transfer in any manner herring that are 4 1/2 inches in length or longer, when measured from one extreme to the other, to any person, firm or corporation for purposes other than for human consumption or bait, unless those herring are not desirable for processing for human consumption.

2. Fish meal or oil. It is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to process herring that are 4 1/2 inches in length or longer, when measured from one extreme to the other, for use as fish meal or oil.

3. Canning, packing or processing. No person, firm or corporation may can, pack or otherwise process those herring other than for human consumption, except as provided in this section.

4. Processing, transfer or sale of by-products. Nothing in this section may prohibit the processing, transfer or sale of herring cuttings, by-products or waste.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment amends the original language in the bill to:

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1. Retain the provision in current law to sell herring for purposes other than human consumption or bait in limited instances; and

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2. Ensure that the processing and sale of herring cuttings, by-products or waste is not prohibited.

Reported by Senator Brannigan for the Committee on Marine Resources. Reproduced and Distributed Pursuant to Senate Rule 12.

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