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L.D. 1357

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 979, L.D. 1357, Bill, "An Act to Increase the Penalty for Illegal Netting of Atlantic Salmon"

Amend the bill in subsection 3 by striking out all of the last sentence and inserting in its place the following: 'Notwithstanding Title 17-A, section 1301, an individual convicted of illegal fishing of Atlantic salmon, in violation of section 7603, shall be fined \$500 per fish, not to be suspended, and up to \$1,000 per violation.'

Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

It is anticipated that enactment of this bill could result in an increase in the collection of fines by the Judicial Department in the amount of \$75,000 in fiscal year 1989-90 and \$100,000 in fiscal year 1990-91, which will be dedicated to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The Judicial Department would absorb any additional costs resulting from an expected increase in court filings.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment revises the penalty for illegal fishing of Atlantic salmon and adds a fiscal note.

Reported by the Committee on Marine Resources
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