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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo. Cosponsored by Representative MAYO of Thomaston, Senator BRAWN of Knox and Senator GOULD of Waldo.

**STATE OF MAINE** 

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Prevent Pollution in Penobscot Bay.

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

#### 38 MRSA §86-B is enacted to read:

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#### <u>§86-B.</u> Penobscot Bay; vessels holding oil or coal

Any vessel within Penobscot Bay transporting, storing or holding oil or coal, or towing a vessel transporting, storing or holding oil or coal, must be piloted by a pilot licensed under this chapter at all times the vessel is in the waters of Penobscot Bay. For purposes of this section, "oil" has the same meaning as set out in section 542, subsection 6, except that "oil" does not include any fuel or lubricating oil used solely for the purpose of operating the vessel and stored separately from the oil being transported, stored or held.

### STATEMENT OF FACT

Under this bill, a registered harbor pilot is required on any vessel in Penobscot Bay transporting, storing or holding oil products or coal or towing any such vessel in order to prevent oil spills and damage to commercial fishing ventures.