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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
114TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1703, L.D. 2352, Bill, "An Act to Ensure and Maintain Water Quality"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the 3rd to 5th indented paragraphs (page 1, lines 25 to 37 in amendment)

Further amend the amendment by inserting before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6072, sub-§9, as amended by PL 1987, c. 453, §1, is further amended to read:

9. Rents. After consulting with the Director of the Bureau of Public Lands, the commissioner shall determine the rent which shall be paid under each lease. The rent shall represent a fair value based upon the use of and any structures in the leased area, but in no instance may the rental fee be set at less than \$50 an acre. The commissioner shall have the discretion to increase the rental fees for categories of leases. These changes may take effect over the term of a lease. The commissioner also may discount a portion of the rental fee during the first 2 years of operation of a new lease. This discounted rate shall not be less than \$50 an acre. All leaseholders are subject to a one-time fee of \$10 per acre to be collected between July 1, 1990 and June 30, 1991 in conjunction with rental fees.'

Further amend the amendment in section 3 in the last line (page 2, line 25 in amendment) by striking out the following: "no later than June 15, 1990" and inserting in its place the following: 'within 10 days of the effective date of this Act'

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1703,
L.D. 2352

Further amend the amendment in section 7 by striking out all
of the 3rd line (page 2, line 43 in amendment) and inserting in
its place the following:

·1990-91·

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the
emergency clause (page 3, lines 11 and 12 in amendment)

Further amend the amendment by renumbering the sections to
read consecutively

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

FISCAL NOTE

Enactment of this legislation will result in:

1. An increase in revenue to the General Fund in the amount
of \$10,112 for fiscal year 1990-91. This revenue is based on a
proposed one-time fee of \$10 assessed to an estimated 1,011 acres
leased for aquaculture purposes.

2. A General Fund appropriation to the Legislature in the
amount of \$9,325 for fiscal year 1990-91. This appropriation
would provide funds for anticipated expenses for the study of the
aquaculture industry.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment creates a one-time assessment of \$10 per acre
on aquaculture leases in order to provide adequate funding for
the study established in the committee amendment. The amendment
requires the committee to meet within 10 days of the effective
date, removes the emergency preamble and clause, makes other
technical changes in the committee amendment and adds a fiscal
note.

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