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S.P. 264

Received by the Secretary, February 20, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

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JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot  
Cosponsored by Representative GOULD of Greenville.

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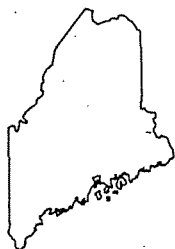
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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

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**An Act to Conform the State Endangered Species Protection Laws with  
Those of the Federal Government.**

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

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12 MRSA §7754, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 800, §1, is amended to read:

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3. **Protection guidelines.** The commissioner may, by rule, pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, develop guidelines for the protection of species designated as endangered or threatened under this subchapter. A guideline adopted under this subsection may not be more restrictive than any regulation adopted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service under the federal Endangered Species Protection Act of 1973, 16 United States Code, Sections 1531 et seq (1988), or any other requirement of that Act.

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### STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill conforms the State's endangered species laws with similar provisions of federal law.