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JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HOLLOWAY of Lincoln Cosponsored by Representative HEINO of Boothbay and Representative RYDELL of Brunswick.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Labeling of Seafood.



Be i	t enacted	by th	e People	of the	State	of M	aine as	fol	llows:
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12 MRSA §6112, as repealed and replaced by PL 1985, c. 622, §3, is amended to read:

§6112. Labeling of food products containing surimi

Ne <u>A</u> food product may <u>not</u> be sold in this State consisting of or containing surimi unless the packaging containing the food product is clearly and conspicuously labeled as <u>or</u>, <u>if there is no packaging</u>, <u>unless a sign is conspicuously displayed</u>, <u>indicating that the product is</u> "imitation lobster," "imitation crab," "imitation" followed by the name of the seafood imitated, "processed seafood," "surimi," "lobster-processed seafood salad," "crab-processed seafood salad" or other terms as approved by the Department of Marine Resources through rules adopted in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II. Any term approved by that department shall-be is sufficient to notify the public that the product contains surimi.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill amends the laws pertaining to the labeling of imitation seafood by requiring sellers of imitation seafood to post signs if the product does not have any packaging indicating that the product is imitation.