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Legislative Document No. 2062 H.P. 1450 House of Representatives, January 7, 1992 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26. Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Presented by Representative LAWRENCE of Kittery. STATE OF MAINE IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

An Act to Allow Transfer of Commercial Moorings.



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

38 MRSA §3, 2nd¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c.
4 655, §3, is amended to read:

Meering Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, mooring assignments shall may not be transferred. Upon the death of the assignee, a harbor master may transfer a mooring assignment when the mooring is used for commercial fishing purposes if the transfer is to a member of the deceased assignee's family and the mooring continues to be used for commercial purposes. For purposes of this paragraph, family includes a parent, child or sibling, including a relation of the half blood, by birth or by adoption. Assignments shall may not be rented unless the provision for rental was part of the agreement when the mooring was assigned.

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Currently, mooring assignments are not transferable. This bill authorizes harbor masters to transfer commercial fishing moorings upon the death of the mooring assignee to a family member if the mooring continues to be used for commercial purposes.