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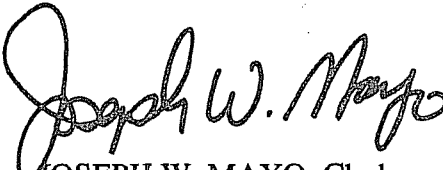
H.P. 106

House of Representatives, January 25, 1993

**An Act to Regulate the Season and Drag Size for Scalloping in Cobscook Bay and Passamaquoddy Bay.**

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Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative TOWNSEND of Eastport.

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

3           Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6722, as amended by PL 1983, c. 685, is  
4 further amended to read:

5           **§6722. Closed areas**

7           From April 16th to November 30th, both days inclusive, it is  
8 unlawful to fish for or take scallops in the coastal waters of  
9 Cobscook Bay and Passamaquoddy Bay.

10           Unless modified by regulation adopted under section 6171-A,  
11 it is unlawful to fish for or take scallops in the any other  
12 coastal waters from April 16th to October 31st, both days  
13 inclusive.

14           Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6726 is enacted to read:

15           **§6726. Drag limits**

16           A person may not fish for or take scallops from Cobscook Bay  
17 and Passamaquoddy Bay with any drag or combination of drags more  
18 than 5 feet, 6 inches in width, measured from the extreme outside  
19 edges of the mouth of the drag or drags.

20           **STATEMENT OF FACT**

21           This bill establishes December 1st through April 15th as the  
22 fixed season for scallop harvesting in the coastal waters of  
23 Cobscook Bay and Passamaquoddy Bay. The bill also establishes a  
24 5 1/2 foot limit on the size of scallop drags.