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4	DATE: 3/1/94 (Filing No. H- 779)			
6	FISHERIES & WILDLIFE			
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14	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 116TH LEGISLATURE			
16	SECOND REGULAR SESSION			
18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{A} " to H.P. 1293, L.D. 1741, Bill, "A			
20	Act to Amend the Maine Guide License"			
22	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in it			
24	place the following:			
26	'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7311-A is enacted to read:			
28	§7311-A. Guides carrying passengers for hire			
30	Any guide who has been certified in watercraft safet through the guide license examination process is authorized			
32	without further licensing requirements, to operate a motorboa carrying passengers for hire pursuant to section 7799. A guid			
34	license issued to a guide who has been certified in watercraf safety must clearly indicate that the licensee is authorized t			
36	operate a motorboat carrying passengers for hire.			
38	Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §9322, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1985, c. 108 §6, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:			
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	3. Resident guides. Upon application, the Director of th			
42	Bureau of Forestry may issue a statewide yearly permit fo			
4.4	out-of-door fires to resident guides licensed by the Departmen			
44	of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The director may restrict th scope of a permit to correspond with the classification of th			
46	guide license. Use of the permit is conditional upon the permittee:			
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	A. Possessing a valid guide license;
2	B. Complying with any landowner campfire restrictions;
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6	C. Complying with applicable out-of-door burning laws; and
8	D. Complying with out-of-door fire restrictions established by the director for the area in which and the time during
10	which fires are made.
12	The director shall revoke the permit of any person who violates any condition or restriction established by this subsection. The director is not required to comply with the provisions of Title
14	4, chapter 25 or Title 5, chapter 375 in revoking a permit under this subsection.
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18	FISCAL NOTE
20	The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will incur some minor additional costs to administer certain requirements
22 24	pertaining to the granting of boat operator licenses to licensed Maine guides. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.
26 28	The Department of Conservation will incur some minor additional costs to issue fire permits to certain licensed Maine guides. These costs can be absorbed within the department's
30	existing budgeted resources.'
32	STATEMENT OF FACT
34	This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment clarifies that a guide who is certified in watercraft safety may operate a
36	boat for hire without a boat operator's license and provides that the guide license issued to a guide who is certified must so
38	indicate.
40	This amendment also amends the law regarding fire permits issued to resident guides. Currently, a resident guide is
42	entitled to receive, upon application, a statewide yearly fire permit. Use of the permit is conditional upon the guide
44	notifying a forest ranger before entering an area to guide a party. This amendment makes issuance of the statewide permit
46	discretionary. It removes the condition on the permit that the guide notify a forest ranger before entering an area to guide a
4 R	party It provides that use of the permit is conditional upon

the guide maintaining a valid guide license and complying with

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- state out-of-door fire laws and regulations and with landowner campfire restrictions.
- 4 This amendment also adds a fiscal note.

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