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**MARINE RESOURCES**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
116TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1323, L.D. 1785, Bill, "An Act Concerning Alewives"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

This bill expands an existing Class D crime. Sentences imposed for Class D offenses must be served in a county jail. The average cost per sentence for a Class D crime is \$8,320 based upon an average length of stay of 119 days. The additional costs to the counties for the housing of each offender sentenced under this new crime are not reimbursed by the State.

The Judicial Department may require additional General Fund appropriations to cover indigent defense costs related to these new cases. The amounts can not be estimated at this time. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department's administrative account. The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by a minor amount.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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2 The additional enforcement costs can be absorbed by the  
Department of Marine Resources utilizing existing budgeted  
resources.'

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### STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.