

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 116th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1994

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S.P. 685

In Senate, February 15, 1994

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**An Act Concerning the Importation of Salmon.**

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Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.  
Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator VOSE of Washington.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: CONSTANTINE of Bar Harbor, HEINO of Boothbay.

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

4                   **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6071, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 381,**  
§2, is amended to read:

6                   **4. Salmon imports prohibited.** It is unlawful to import for  
introduction into any waters of the State any Atlantic salmon,  
8 live or as eggs, that originate in any Icelandic or European  
territorial waters or any other species of salmon, exclusive of  
10 rainbow trout, originating west of the North America continental  
divide. ~~After January 1, 1995, it is unlawful to introduce into  
12 any waters of the State any Atlantic salmon that originate in any  
Icelandic or European territorial waters or any other species of  
14 salmon, exclusive of rainbow trout, originating west of the  
North American continental divide including any fish raised  
16 within the State from eggs or broodstock that are subject to the  
import prohibition under this subsection.~~ The commissioner may  
18 grant an exemption from the provisions of this subsection for a  
term not to exceed 2 years, renewable upon application, for  
20 legitimate research. Legitimate research does not include pilot,  
demonstration or full-scale aquaculture production of salmon in  
22 the coastal waters of the State.

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26                   **STATEMENT OF FACT**

28                   This bill removes the prohibitions on the origin of salmon  
to be introduced into the waters of the State.

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36                   This document has not yet been reviewed to determine the  
need for cross-reference, stylistic and other technical  
amendments to conform existing law to current drafting standards.