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No. 992

S.P. 366

In Senate, March 28, 1995

An Act to Repeal the Salmon Aquaculture Monitoring and Research Fund.

(EMERGENCY)

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BIGL of Bucksport, RICE of South Bristol.

2 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** Acts of the Legislature do not
become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

4 **Whereas,** the Legislature has repealed the July 1, 1994
6 sunset date originally established for the Salmon Aquaculture
Monitoring and Research Fund; and

8 **Whereas,** the views of the State's finfish aquaculture
10 industry were not adequately taken into account when the sunset
date was repealed; and

12 **Whereas,** this Act establishes a new sunset date of July 1,
14 1995, for the fund and requires the finfish aquaculture industry
and the Commissioner of Marine Resources to review the adequacy
16 and purposes of the fund, in order to make additional
recommendations to the Legislature before that date; and

18 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
20 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
22 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

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

26 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6078,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 562, §2, is
28 repealed.

30 **Sec. 2. Review.** The Commissioner of Marine Resources shall
review the purposes and adequacy of the Salmon Aquaculture
32 Monitoring and Research Fund. When conducting this review, the
commissioner shall provide an opportunity for comments by the
34 finfish aquaculture industry. The commissioner shall report the
results of this review and make recommendations to the
36 Legislature by June 15, 1995.

38 **Sec. 3. Effective date.** That section of this Act that repeals
the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 6078 takes effect
40 July 1, 1995.

42 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
preamble, this Act takes effect when approved, except as
44 otherwise indicated.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill repeals the Salmon Aquaculture Monitoring and
50 Research Fund on July 1, 1995 and requires the Commissioner of

2 Marine Resources to review the purposes and adequacy of the fund
and report the results of that review to the Legislature.