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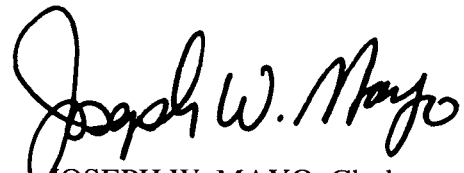
No. 1451

H.P. 1032

House of Representatives, May 2, 1995

An Act to Change the Licensing Year for Certain Marine Resource Licenses.

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CLOUTIER of South Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator: BUTLAND of Cumberland.

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

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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, ¶C, as amended by PL 1993, c. 497, §1, is further amended to read:

C. A marine worm digger's license issued under section 6751 expires on April 30th of each year; and

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 497, §2, is amended to read:

D. A shellfish sanitation certificate issued under section 6856 expires on April 30th of each year;

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, ¶¶E to Q are enacted to read:

E. A marine worm dealer's license issued under section 6853 expires on March 31st of each year;

F. A marine worm dealer's supplemental license issued under section 6853 expires on March 31st of each year;

G. A retail seafood license issued under section 6852 expires on March 31st of each year;

H. A wholesale seafood license with a lobster permit issued under section 6851 expires on March 31st of each year;

I. A wholesale seafood license issued under section 6851 expires on March 31st of each year;

J. A wholesale seafood license with a sea urchin buyer's permit issued under section 6851 expires on March 31st of each year;

K. A wholesale seafood license with a sea urchin processor's permit issued under section 6851 expires on March 31st of each year;

L. A wholesale seafood supplemental license issued under section 6851 expires on March 31st of each year;

M. A shellfish transportation license issued under section 6855 expires on March 31st of each year;

N. A shellfish transportation supplemental license issued under section 6855 expires on March 31st of each year;

O. A lobster meat permit issued under section 6857 expires on March 31st of each year;

2 P. A lobster transportation license issued under section
3 6854 expires on March 31st of each year; and

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5 Q. A lobster transportation supplemental license issued
6 under section 6854 expires on March 31st of each year.

8 **Sec. 4. Transition clause.** All licenses listed in the Maine
9 Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 6301, subsection 2,
10 paragraphs E to Q issued for the licensing year beginning January
11 1, 1995 are valid until March 31, 1996.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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17 Currently, all harvester and dealer licenses, with the
18 exception of shellfish and worms, are issued for a calendar year
19 beginning in January. This results in unavoidable delays in
20 issuing licenses because most licenses must be renewed at the
21 same time. The Department of Marine Resources Total Quality
22 Management Council chartered a Process Action Team to focus on
23 licensing. The Process Action Team recommended that licenses
24 that apply to dealers and processors be issued at a different
25 time of year. Based on a survey of the industry, the Process
26 Action Team recommended that the licensing date for dealers and
processors be changed to March 31st of each year. This bill
implements that recommendation.