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House of Representatives, June 1, 1995

An Act to Withdraw the State from the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact.

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

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BAILEY of Township 27.

_	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 3 MRSA $\S927$, sub- $\S7$, \PB , as amended by PL 1993, c. 585, $\S1$, is further amended to read:
6	B. Independent agencies:
8	(2) Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission;
10	(3) Public Utilities Commission;
12	(4)Atlantie-States-Marine-Fisheries-Commission;
14	(5) Maine Development Foundation;
16	(6) Board of Directors, Maine Municipal and Rural Electrification Cooperative Agency;
18	(7) Lobster Advisory Council;
20	(8) Board of Environmental Protection;
22	(9) Board of Underground Oil Storage Tank Installers;
24 26	(10) Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council; and
28	(11) Public Advocate.
30	Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §12004-K, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 786, §5, is repealed.
32	Sec. 3. 12 MRSA c. 419, as amended, is repealed.
34 36	<pre>Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6001, sub-§28, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is amended to read:</pre>
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40	28. Marine resources' laws. "Marine resources' laws" means ehapter-419-and Part 9 or any other statute authorizing the commissioner or department to undertake any activity, and any regulation authorized by these statutes.
42	Sec. 5. Renunciation of Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact.
44	On the effective date of this Act, the Governor is authorized and directed to send to each state that is a party to the compact the
4 6	6 months' notice in writing of intention to withdraw from the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact, as required by Article
48	XII of the compact, codified in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title
EΩ	12, chapter 419.

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Sec. 6. Withdrawal from Article XIII, amendment to Atlantic States

Marine Fisheries Compact. On the effective date of this Act, the Governor is authorized and directed to send to each state that is a party to the amendment the 6 months' notice in writing of intention to withdraw from the amendment to the Atlantic States

Marine Fisheries Compact and from the jurisdiction of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, as required by Article XIII of the compact, codified in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 4613.

Sec. 7. Effective date. That section of this Act that repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, chapter 419 takes effect 6 months after the date of adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 117th Legislature.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill removes the State from participation in the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact by requiring the Governor to send to all states that are parties to the compact the required 6 months' notice that Maine intends to withdraw and a separate notice to all states that are parties to the Amendment, Article XIII, which gives the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission regulatory jurisdiction over party states with respect to specific fisheries; this withdrawal is in accordance with the requirements of Article XII of the compact.

The bill repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, chapter 419, which contains the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact and implementing legislation, effective 6 months after the adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 117th Legislature.