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No. 1647

H.P. 1197

House of Representatives, January 8, 1996

**An Act to Increase the Number of Lobster Traps Allowed on Trawls in
Hancock County.**

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative PINKHAM of Lamoine.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FISHER of Brewer, GIERINGER of Portland, LEMONT of
Kittery, LOOK of Jonesboro, LOVETT of Scarborough, PERKINS of Penobscot, POVICH of
Ellsworth.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6439**, as amended by PL 1985, c. 268, §5, is
4 further amended to read:

6 **§6439. Areas of limited lobster fishing**

8 It ~~shall-be~~ is unlawful to have on any trawl ~~more-than-3~~
10 ~~lobster-traps~~ in any of the coastal waters in the following areas:

12 **1. West of Cape Elizabeth and east of Kittery.** Westerly
14 More than 3 lobster traps westerly of a line drawn from the
16 active lighthouse at Two Lights in Cape Elizabeth to the Hue and
18 Cry Buoy, and northerly and easterly of a line running between
20 the Kitts Rocks Whistle Buoy and the West Sister Buoy and
extending westerly to the New Hampshire border, and from the West
Sister Buoy to the Murray Rock Buoy and thence to and through the
lighthouse on Boone Island and, continuing in a straight line, to
the boundary of the coastal waters within the jurisdiction of
this State;

22 **2. Between Pemaquid and Robinson's Points.** Between More
24 than 3 lobster traps between the following lines:

26 A. Beginning at a point 48 miles true north of the
28 lighthouse on Pemaquid Point, Lincoln County; thence true
south through the lighthouse to a point where that line
intersects the southeasterly boundary of the coastal waters
within the jurisdiction of the State; and

30 B. Beginning at a point 40 miles true north from the
32 lighthouse at Robinson's Point, Isle au Haut, Knox County;
34 thence true south through the lighthouse to a point where
the that line intersects the southeasterly boundary of the
36 coastal waters within the jurisdiction of the State; and

38 **3. Off Hancock County.** Within More than 10 lobster traps
40 within the following radio direction-finder LORAN C bearings:
42 Beginning at Schoodic Point, Hancock County; thence running a
44 True compass course of 159' for approximately 16 miles to LORAN C
46 bearing of 9960-W-12349.0 and 9960-X-25693.0; thence running
along a True compass course of 234' for approximately 11.4 miles,
to and through Mt. Desert Rock to LORAN C bearing of
9960-W-12456.0 and 9960-X-25695.0; thence running in a True
compass course of 336' for approximately 4.2 miles to LORAN C
bearing of 9960-W-12440.0 and 9960-X-25718.0; thence running in a
westerly direction to a point where that line intersects with the
line described in subsection 2, paragraph B, if it is extended to
that line.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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6 This bill increases the number of lobster traps allowed on
trawls in Hancock County from 3 to 10.