

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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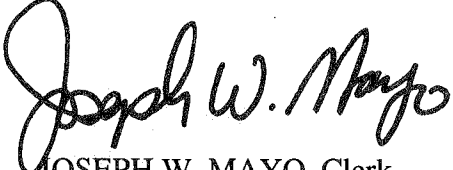
House of Representatives, February 4, 1997

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### **An Act to List Specific Threatened and Endangered Species.**

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Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.  
Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CHICK of Lebanon.  
Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and  
Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, GOODWIN of Pembroke, MADORE of Augusta,  
MURPHY of Kennebunk, PAUL of Sanford, SNOWE-MELLO of Poland, TRUE of  
Fryeburg, USHER of Westbrook.

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

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4       **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7753, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 667,  
Pt. A, §33, is further amended to read:

6       **3. Legislative authority.** The Legislature, as sole  
8 authority, shall designate a species as state endangered or state  
threatened species. The list of state endangered or state  
10 threatened species is as follows:

Common Name	Scientific Name	Status
Least Tern	<i>Sterna albifrons</i>	Endangered
Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>	Endangered
Piping Plover	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>	Endangered
Sedge Wren	<i>Cistothorus platenis</i>	Endangered
Grasshopper		
Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>	Endangered
Box Turtle	<i>Terrapene carolina</i>	Endangered
Black Racer	<i>Coluber constrictor</i>	Endangered
Roseate Tern	<i>Sterna dougallii</i>	Threatened
		<u>Endangered</u>
Northern Bog		
Lemming	<i>Synaptomys borealis</i>	Threatened
Loggerhead		
Turtle	<i>Caretta caretta</i>	Threatened
Blanding's		
Turtle	<i>Emydoidea blandingii</i>	Threatened
		<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Black Tern</u>	<u><i>Chlidonias niger</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>American Pipit</u>	<u><i>Anthus rubescens</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Peregrine</u>		
<u>Falcon</u>	<u><i>Falco peregrinus</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Flat-headed</u>		
<u>Mayfly</u>	<u><i>Epeorus frisoni</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Ringed</u>		
<u>Boghaunter</u>	<u><i>Williamsonia lintneri</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Clayton's</u>		
<u>Copper</u>	<u><i>Lycaena dorcas claytoni</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Edwards'</u>		
<u>Hairstreak</u>	<u><i>Satyrrium edwardsii</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Hessel's</u>		
<u>Hairstreak</u>	<u><i>Mitoura hesseli</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
<u>Katahdin Arctic</u>	<u><i>Oenis polixenes</i></u>	<u>Endangered</u>
	<u>katahdin</u>	
Spotted Turtle	<i>Clemmys guttata</i>	Threatened
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus</i>	Threatened
	<i>leucocephalus</i>	
<u>Razorbill</u>	<u><i>Alca torda</i></u>	<u>Threatened</u>
<u>Atlantic Puffin</u>	<u><i>Fratercula arctica</i></u>	<u>Threatened</u>

2	<u>Harlequin Duck</u>	<u>Histrionicus</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
		<u>histrionicus</u>	
	<u>Arctic Tern</u>	<u>Sterna paradisaea</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
4	<u>Upland Sandpiper</u>	<u>Bartramia longicauda</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
	<u>Swamp Darter</u>	<u>Etheostoma fusiforme</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
6	<u>Tidewater Mucket</u>	<u>Leptodea ochracea</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
	<u>Yellow</u>		
8	<u>Lampmussel</u>	<u>Lampsilis cariosa</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
	<u>Tomah Mayfly</u>	<u>Siphonisca aerodromia</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
10	<u>Pygmy Snaketail</u>	<u>Ophiogomphus howei</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
	<u>Twilight Moth</u>	<u>Lycia rachelae</u>	<u>Threatened</u>
12	<u>Pine Barrens</u>		
	<u>Zanclognatha</u>	<u>Zancolgnatha martha</u>	<u>Threatened</u>

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### SUMMARY

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20 This bill updates the current list of state endangered and  
 22 threatened species, which has been in effect since 1986. Current  
 24 law requires a list of endangered and threatened wildlife to be  
 created and maintained based on factors contributing to the risk  
 of extirpation in this State. This list is created based on  
 scientific, objective criteria and indicates biological status  
 only, not management actions or habitat protection initiatives.