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10	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 118TH LEGISLATURE
12	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
14	HOUSE AMENDMENT " β " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 604,
16	L.D. 1801, Bill, "An Act to Adopt Long-range Changes in the Methods by Which Whitewater Rafting Trips Are Allocated among
18	Licensees"
20	Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 4 and inserting in its place the following:
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24	'Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §7367, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 502, §4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
26	5. Order of launch. Launch order of commercial whitewater outfitters on rivers or requiring allocations must be determined
28	and enforced by the department to protect public health and safety.
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32	A. On or before February 1st annually the department shall determine an order of launch schedule for each allocated river by a random drawing of all outfitters holding
34	allocations for the allocated river.
36	B. The department may require compliance with the order of launch schedule on allocated days and on other days when
38	necessary to protect public health and safety.
40	C. The sale, transfer or assignment of an order of launch position, whether for consideration or otherwise, is
42	prohibited.
44	D. Failure to comply with this section subjects a commercial whitewater outfitter to the penalties of section
46	7370-A.

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2	FISCAL NOTE
4	The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will incur some minor additional costs to administer a random drawing to
6	determine the launch order of commercial whitewater outfitters. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing
8	budgeted resources.
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12	SUMMARY
14	This amendment repeals the present order of launch provision which grandfathers certain commercial whitewater outfitters
16	businesses into permanent priority launch order positions.
18	In place of permanent grandfathering, this amendment establishes an annual random drawing in which all licensed
20	outfitters are treated equally by the State.
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24	SPONSORED BY: (Representative BUCK)
26	TOWN: Yarmouth
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