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No. 2026

S.P. 748

In Senate, January 15, 1998

An Act Concerning Lobster Policy Management Council Referenda.

Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.
Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell.

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

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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6447, sub-§9 is enacted to read:

9. Ballot confidentiality. An eligible voter shall place that individual's lobster and crab fishing license number on a ballot cast in a referendum sponsored by a lobster policy management council. The ballot must be maintained by the Department of Marine Resources so that the license number is not disclosed.

SUMMARY

This bill provides that a voter in a referendum held by a lobster policy management council must have the individual's lobster and crab license number on it to establish it as a legitimate ballot from an eligible voter. It also provides that that ballot once submitted can not be identified with an individual.