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In Senate, January 28, 1999

An Act to Make Technical Changes in the Marine Resources Laws.

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 HONEY of Boothbay and
Senator MacKINNON of York, Representative: VOLENIK of Brooklin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6431-E, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1997, c.**
693, §1 and affected by §3, is amended to read:

6 A. "Family member" means a spouse, brother, sister,
8 son-in-law, daughter-in-law, parent by blood, parent by
10 adoption, mother-in-law, father-in-law, child by blood,
child by adoption, stepchild, stepparent, grandchild or
grandparent.

12 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6749-W, sub-§§4 and 5, as enacted by PL 1997,**
14 c. 177, §6, are repealed.

16 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6749-Z, sub-§§4 and 5 are enacted to read:**

18 4. Limitation on approving zone changes. The commissioner
19 may not authorize a zone change between August 1st and December
20 31st.

22 5. Effective date of zone change. The effective date of a
23 zone change authorized by the commissioner is August 1st.

24 **Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6858, sub-§5-C is enacted to read:**

26 5-C. Exception for certain lobster meat. This section does
27 not apply to lobster meat processed under a lobster tail permit
28 issued under section 6862.

30 **SUMMARY**

32 This bill makes the following changes to the marine resource
34 laws.

36 1. It adds "spouse" to the definition of family members.

38 2. It moves the provisions regarding zone changes to a more
40 applicable section.

42 3. It places an exception for lobster meat processed under
43 a lobster tail permit in the section of law that specifies the
44 size and condition of lobster meat in order to make those
sections consistent.