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S.P. 299

In Senate, February 2, 1999

An Act to Amend the Process for Granting Aquaculture Leases.

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 SMALL of Sagadahoc.
Cosponsored by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland, Representatives: ETNIER of Harpswell, PEAVEY of Woolwich.

2 abatement activities that may be occurring and when the area may
3 be suitable again for traditional fisheries. If the department
4 finds that a polluted area will be sufficiently cleansed to
5 support fishing uses within a year of the application, it must
6 make this finding clear in all notices of the hearing on the
7 lease. The department may not issue a lease for a polluted area
8 if the area will be suitable for fishing uses within one year of
9 the application and the department finds that the aquaculture
10 project would unreasonably interfere with future fishing uses of
the area.