

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1052

S.P. 348

In Senate, February 9, 1999

An Act to Assist Disabled Fly-fishing Anglers.

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin.

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

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4 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7151, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

6 3-A. Disability stamp. A person with a disability may
8 apply for a complimentary disability fishing stamp. A person who
10 holds a resident or nonresident fishing license with a disability
12 fishing stamp may utilize a spin-casting reel and rod and an
14 artificial fly when fishing in fly-fishing-only waters. The
16 person may not use lures when fishing in fly-fishing-only
18 waters. A person who applies for a disability fishing stamp must
20 submit documentation from a physician that attests to that
22 person's disability. For the purposes of this subsection,
24 "disability" means any disability, infirmity, malformation,
disfigurement, congenital defect or condition caused by bodily
injury, accident, disease, birth defect, environmental condition
or illness.

SUMMARY

22 This bill allows a person with a disability to utilize a
24 spin-casting reel and rod and an artificial fly when fishing in
waters designated as fly-fishing-only waters.