

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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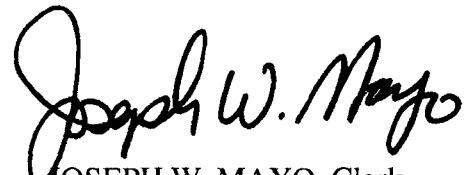
House of Representatives, February 9, 1999

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**An Act to Clarify the Lobster V-Notch Law.**

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Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LEMONT of Kittery.

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

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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6436, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661,  
4 §5, is amended to read:

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2. **Exceptions.** No violation of this section shall ~~occur~~  
occurs if:

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A. The lobster is immediately liberated alive into the  
10 coastal waters when taken or discovered in a pound; ~~or~~

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B. The lobster is possessed and sold to the department by a  
14 lobster pound owner who has a permit to do so as provided in  
this section; or

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C. The v-notch cut measures 1/8 inch or less into the  
flipper.

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#### SUMMARY

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This bill allows a person to possess a v-notch lobster if  
the notch cut measures 1/8 inch or less into the flipper.