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۲	2	L.D. 1345
	4	DATE: 4/22/99 (Filing No. H-249)
	6	MARINE RESOURCES
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	10	Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.
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	14	STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 119TH LEGISLATURE
	16	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
	18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " ${\cal A}$ " to H.P. 948, L.D. 1345, Bill, "An
	20	Act to Allow Student License Holders to Become Eligible for Commercial Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses"
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	24	Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:
	26	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§3-A, ¶¶D and E, as amended by PL
	28	1995, c. 568, §1, are further amended to read:
	30	D. An apprentice lobster and crab fishing license authorizes the apprentice so licensed to engage in the licensed activities under subsection 2 on that apprentice's
	32	sponsor's vessel when the apprentice's sponsor is on board the vessel. A person who holds an apprentice lobster and
	34	crab fishing license may not tend any traps unless the traps are fished by the sponsor of the apprentice so licensed. An
	36	applicant for an apprentice lobster and crab fishing license may designate up to 3 sponsors. For the purpose of this
	38	paragraph, "apprentice's sponsor" means a person who holds a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing
	40	license issued under this section.

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E. A student license authorizes the license holder to engage in the licensed activities under subsection 2. A person issued a student license may not submerge at any one time more than 150 lobster traps in the coastal waters of the State. An applicant for a student license shall designate a sponsor. A person issued a student license is enrolled in the apprentice program under section 6422. For the purpose of this paragraph, "sponsor" means a person who

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	holds a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab		
2	fishing license issued under this section.'		
4	Further amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the		
6	following:		
6	'Sec. 4. Educational brochure for student license holders. The		
8	Department of Marine Resources shall develop an educational		
	brochure for student lobster and crab fishing license holders		
10	that provides a general overview of the laws related to fishing for lobsters. The department shall provide the brochure to the		
12	sponsor identified on an application for a student license and		
	request that the sponsor review the brochure with the student		
14	license holder.'		
16	Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the		
	summary the following:		
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20	'FISCAL NOTE		
22	1999-00 2000-01		
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24	REVENUES		
26	General Fund (\$1,197) (\$1,596)		
28	Changing the eligibility for the lobster apprenticeship		
	program will reduce annual General Fund revenue collected by the		
30	Department of Marine Resources by \$1,197 in fiscal year 1999-00 and by \$1,596 in fiscal year 2000-01 and every year thereafter.		
32	In addition, these same changes will reduce the dedicated		
	revenues collected by the department by minor amounts.		
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36	The Department of Marine Resources will incur some minor additional costs to develop an educational brochure. These costs		
	can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted		
38	resources.'		
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40	SUMMARY		
42	This amendment allows an applicant for an apprentice lobster		
44	and crab fishing license to designate up to 3 sponsors. The		

This amendment allows an applicant for an apprentice lobster and crab fishing license to designate up to 3 sponsors. The amendment also requires an applicant for a student license to designate a sponsor and specifies that a person issued a student license is enrolled in the apprenticeship program.

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The amendment strikes from the bill the requirement that a student pass a basic examination in order to be eligible for a

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- student license and instead requires the Department of Marine
 Resources to develop an educational brochure to provide student
 license holders with a general overview of the laws related to
- 4 fishing for lobsters.
- The amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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