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No. 1417

H.P. 1006

House of Representatives, February 18, 1999

An Act to Create a Senior Lobster and Crab Fishing License.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative HONEY of Boothbay.
Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and
Representatives: PIEH of Bremen, PINKHAM of Lamoine, RINES of Wiscasset.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§3-A, ¶G** is enacted to read:

4 G. A senior lobster and crab fishing license authorizes the
6 license holder to engage in the licensed activities under
8 subsection 2. A person issued a senior license may not
10 submerge at any one time more than 150 lobster traps in the
12 coastal waters of the State.

12 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§5-B** is enacted to read:

14 5-B. Senior license eligibility. A senior lobster and crab
16 fishing license may only be issued to a person who, at the time
18 of application, is 65 years of age or older and has been a
20 resident of the State for the previous 5 calendar years.

20 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§7, ¶G**, as amended by PL 1995, c.
22 568, §1, is further amended to read:

24 G. Forty-six dollars for a student lobster and crab fishing
26 license; and

28 **Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§7, ¶H**, as enacted by PL 1995, c.
30 568, §1, is amended to read:

32 H. Forty-six dollars for a noncommercial lobster and crab
34 fishing license; and

36 **Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§7, ¶I** is enacted to read:

38 I. One hundred eighteen dollars for a senior lobster and
40 crab fishing license.

SUMMARY

42 This bill establishes a senior lobster and crab fishing
license for persons 65 years of age or older who have been
residents of this State for 5 years prior to applying for the
license. A person issued a senior license may not use more than
150 lobster traps. The license fee is \$118.