

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)



119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

Legislative Document

No. 2206

H.P. 1549

House of Representatives, April 20, 1999

An Act to Implement an Atlantic Salmon Conservation Plan.

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 16, 1999. Referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DUGAY of Cherryfield.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, DUNLAP of Old Town,
GILLIS of Danforth, GOODWIN of Pembroke, NORBERT of Portland, SHOREY of Calais,
WHEELER of Eliot.

2
3 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶N**, as amended by PL 1997, c.
393, Pt. B, §4, is further amended to read:

6 N. Coordinate the development of solid waste management
policy including:

8
9 (1) Collecting and analyzing solid waste management
10 and recycling data from all available sources including
commercial and municipal entities;

12 (2) Preparing a solid waste management and recycling
13 plan to be submitted to the Governor and the
14 Legislature by January 1, 1998 and every 5 years
15 thereafter; and

16 (3) Providing technical and financial assistance to
17 municipalities in waste reduction and recycling
18 activities; and

19
20
21 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶O**, as enacted by PL 1995, c.
625, Pt. A, §10, is amended to read:

22 O. Own, design, develop or operate, or contract with
23 private parties to operate, a solid waste disposal facility,
24 as provided in Title 38, chapter 24, subchapter IV.; and

25
26 **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶P** is enacted to read:

27
28 P. Fully implement an Atlantic salmon conservation plan for
29 the watersheds of the Dennys, East Machias, Machias,
30 Narraguagus and Pleasant Rivers; develop and manage model
31 watershed plans; and complete habitat enhancement, fish
32 passage and pollution prevention projects. The State
33 Planning Office shall develop funding to fully implement the
34 Atlantic salmon conservation plan by seeking funds from
35 governmental, private and nonprofit sources. The State
36 Planning Office shall contract with a nonprofit organization
37 incorporated by the State that has an interest in Atlantic
38 salmon issues to administer the Atlantic salmon conservation
39 plan and distribute funds to the watershed councils.

40
41
42
43 **Sec. 4. Report.** On or before January 1, 2001, the nonprofit
44 organization contracted to administer the Atlantic salmon
45 conservation plan, referred to in this section as the "plan,"
46 shall report to the Director of the State Planning Office on the
47 progress in implementing the plan and any other recommendations
48 that the nonprofit organization may have concerning the
49 management of the watersheds of rivers in the
50

2 State that are included in the provisions of the plan. On or
before January 31, 2001, the Director of the State Planning
4 Office shall report to the joint standing committee of the
Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resources matters on
6 the progress in implementing the plan and any other
recommendations that the contracted nonprofit organization,
8 watershed coordinators or the State Planning Office may have
concerning the management of the watersheds of rivers in the
State that are included in the provisions of the plan.

10

12

SUMMARY

14

16 This bill requires the State Planning Office to develop
funding for and fully implement an Atlantic salmon conservation
18 plan; develop model watershed plans; and complete habitat
enhancement, fish passage and pollution prevention projects.
20 This bill also requires the State Planning Office to report to
the Legislature on the progress of implementing an Atlantic
22 salmon conservation plan and any other recommendations concerning
watershed management by January 31, 2001.