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No. 644

H.P. 504

House of Representatives, February 8, 2001

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Lobster Tag System.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative USHER of Westbrook. (By Request)

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6431-B**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 468, §5,
is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

6 By January 1, 2002, the commissioner shall adopt rules that
8 require tags for traps that are fished in a lobster management
10 zone, in which a license holder fishes a majority of that license
12 holder's traps, that are a different color than tags for traps
14 fished outside of that zone. These rules are routine technical
16 rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

14 SUMMARY

16 This bill requires the Commissioner of Marine Resources to
18 adopt rules by January 1, 2002 that require tags for lobster
20 traps that are fished in a lobster management zone, in which a
license holder fishes a majority of that license holder's traps,
22 that are a different color than tags for traps fished outside of
that zone.