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Resolve, to Clarify the 3-mile Fishing Waters in Saco Bay.

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LEMONT of York. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland, Representative: PINKHAM of Lamoine. Sec. 1. Trawl limits in Saco Bay. Resolved: That the Department of Marine Resources shall adopt rules designating the area in Saco Bay beyond which a person may have on a trawl more than 3 lobster traps as 3 nautical miles from land, as measured by radar. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

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SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Department of Marine Resources to adopt a rule that establishes the boundary beyond which a person may fish using a trawl that has more than 3 lobster traps as 3 nautical miles from land as measured by radar. Current rules define the boundary as the 3 nautical miles line that appears on navigational charts.