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20 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1646, L.D. 2152, Bill, "An  
22 Act to Allow Qualified Shellfish Harvesters to Continue to Sample  
24 Water Quality"

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24 Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the  
enacting clause the following:

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26 'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not  
28 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted  
as emergencies; and

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30 Whereas, a new policy prohibiting commercial shellfish  
32 license holders from serving as water quality samplers may result  
in the closure of clam flats due to a shortage of qualified water  
quality samplers; and

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36 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts  
create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of  
38 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately  
necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and  
safety; now, therefore,'

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42 Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the  
following:

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44 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the  
46 preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment adds an emergency preamble and an emergency  
clause to the bill.