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# STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 121ST LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "H" to H.P. 1003, L.D. 1368, Bill, "An Act Concerning Age Requirements for Student, Apprentice and Noncommercial Lobster Licenses"

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Amend the bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

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'Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6421-C is enacted to read:

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### §6421-C. Application of student and noncommercial license age requirements

1. Student licenses. Notwithstanding the age requirements of section 6421, subsection 3-A, paragraph E and section 6421, subsection 5-A, a person who holds a student license on October 31, 2003 may continue to be issued a student license until that person reaches 23 years of age. Notwithstanding the trap limits under section 6421, subsection 3-A, paragraph E, a person who is 8 years of age or older and who holds a student license on October 31, 2003 may not submerge at any one time more than 150 lobster traps in the coastal waters of the State. A person who holds a student license and is less than 8 years of age on October 31, 2003 may not at any one time submerge more than 10 traps in the coastal waters of the State and upon reaching 8 years of age is subject to the trap limits provided in section 6421, subsection 3-A, paragraph E. A person who holds a student license on October 31, 2003 must comply with the full-time student requirement of section 6421, subsection 5-A and the apprenticeship program and sponsor requirements of section 6421, subsection 3-A, paragraph E.

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- 2. Noncommercial licenses. Notwithstanding the age requirements of section 6421, subsection 5-B, a person who holds a noncommercial license and is less than 8 years of age on October 31, 2003 may continue to be issued a noncommercial license subject to the examination and licensure requirements of section 6421, subsection 5-B.
- 8 3. Violation. A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.'

12 SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources and exempts those individuals who hold a student or noncommercial lobster and crab fishing license on October 31, 2003 from the age and trap limits proposed in the bill. This amendment also provides that a person who holds a student license and is less than 8 years of age on October 31, 2003 may not submerge more than 10 traps at any given time and upon reaching 8 years of age must comply with the trap limits proposed in the bill.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)



# 121st Maine Legislature Office of Fiscal and Program Review

### LD 1368

An Act Concerning Age Requirements for Student, Apprentice and Noncommercial Lobster Licenses

LR 1909(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Marine Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### **Fiscal Note**

|                             | 2002.04                   | 2004.05                   | Projections 2005-06 \$1,271 | <b>Projections 2006-07</b> \$1,271 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Net Cost (Savings)          | <b>2003-04</b><br>\$1,271 | <b>2004-05</b><br>\$1,271 |                             |                                    |
| General Fund                |                           |                           |                             |                                    |
| General Fund                | \$1,271                   | Φ1,2/1                    | Φ1,2/1                      | \$1,2/1                            |
| Revenue                     |                           |                           |                             |                                    |
| General Fund                | (\$1,271)                 | (\$1,271)                 | (\$1,271)                   | (\$1,271)                          |
| Other Special Revenue Funds | (\$1,712)                 | (\$1,712)                 | (\$1,712)                   | (\$1,712)                          |

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Changing the age requirements for the issuance of certain lobster licenses will decrease annual General Fund revenues collected by the Department of Marine Resources by \$1,271 beginning in fiscal year 2003-04. These same changes will also reduce annual Other Special Revenue Funds revenues collected by the department by \$1,712 beginning in fiscal year 2003-04.