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House of Representatives, January 25, 2005

An Act To Encourage the Scallop Industry

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

Millicent M. MacFarland
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Clerk

Presented by Representative PINGREE of North Haven.
Cosponsored by Senator DAMON of Hancock and
Representatives: ASH of Belfast, DUGAY of Cherryfield, KAELIN of Winterport, SCHATZ
of Blue Hill.

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

4 **CONCEPT DRAFT**
6 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

10 The purpose of this bill is to recognize scallop spat
12 collection as a fishery and to direct the Scallop Advisory
14 Council to develop rules to govern spat collection as a fishery.
16 Rules that would be needed include scale of collection,
eligibility of people involved and whether spat can be viable as
a fishery. The bill would also direct the council to work with
the Department of Marine Resources concerning the sale of whole
cultured scallops.