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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "D" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 343, L.D. 468, Bill, "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007"

Amend the amendment in Part III by striking out all of section 40 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. III-40. 12 MRSA §13056-A is enacted to read:

§13056-A. Nonmotorized watercraft conservation sticker

1. Sticker required; fees. Except motorboats subject to section 13056 or as otherwise provided in this section, a person may not place or operate a sailboat, rowboat, canoe or kayak on the inland waters or territorial waters of the State, unless a conservation sticker issued under this section is affixed to the watercraft. This section does not apply to watercraft used primarily in commercial operations that require licensure under Part 9 or to a rowboat used on marine waters for purposes of travel between a moored vessel and the shore. The conservation sticker is nontransferable and the fee is \$10, \$1 of which is retained by the issuing agent.

2. Exception. A person who holds a valid Maine fishing license or combination license issued by the department may receive one conservation sticker without a fee that must be affixed to that person's sailboat, rowboat, canoe or kayak.

3. Fee reduction. Upon application by a youth camp that owns more than 25 nonmotorized watercraft, the commissioner may, at the commissioner's discretion, reduce the fee for the conservation sticker.

4. Exempt. A nonprofit youth camp is exempt from this section.

5. Revenues. All fees collected by the commissioner from the sale of the conservation sticker must be distributed in accordance with section 10206, subsection 3.

6. Penalties. The following penalties apply to violations of this section.

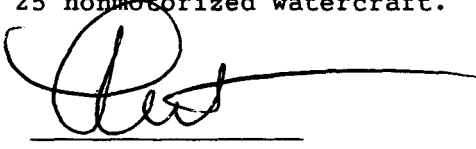
A. A person who violates subsection 1 commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.

B. A person who violates subsection 1 after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.'

Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment exempts nonprofit youth camps from the \$10 fee for the conservation sticker for nonmotorized watercraft. The amendment also gives the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife the discretion to reduce the fee for a youth camp that owns more than 25 nonmotorized watercraft.

SPONSORED BY: 
(Representative WATSON)

TOWN: Bath

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

**122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 468****LR 2149(16)**

An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007

Fiscal Note for House Amendment " " to Committee Amendment " "

Sponsor: Rep. Watson

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

| | 2005-06 | 2006-07 |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Net Cost (Savings) | | |
| General Fund | \$11,480 | \$22,950 |
| Revenue | | |
| General Fund | (\$11,480) | (\$22,950) |

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment will increase the General Fund cost of the bill by \$11,480 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$22,950 in fiscal year 2006-07. Based on the estimated year-end balances, this amendment maintains a balanced budget for the 2006-2007 biennium.