



# **122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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H.P. 748

House of Representatives, March 1, 2005

No. 1095

An Act To Alter the Slot Limit Restriction for Fishing

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative JACKSON of Fort Kent. Cosponsored by Representatives: GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, SMITH of Van Buren, WHEELER of Kittery, Senator: PERRY of Penobscot.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12602, sub-§§1 and 2, as enacted by PL 2003,
c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, are amended to read:
1. Fish in violation of certain rules. Fish in violation of the number, amount, weight or minimum size limits established by rules adopted by the commissioner; or

2. Possess fish in violation of certain rules. Possess
fish in violation of the number, amount, weight or <u>minimum</u> size
limits established by rules adopted by the commissioner.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §12612 is enacted to read:

### 16 §12612. Fish length

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18 The department may not set a slot limit requirement on the length of fish caught on a body of water that has a 2-fish limit 20 but may set a minimum length requirement.

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife from setting a slot limit length requirement for fish caught on a body of water that has a 2-fish limit. The bill also authorizes the department to set a minimum length on any fish.