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MARINE RESOURCES

Minority

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 790, L.D. 1147, Bill, "An Act To Protect Fishing Families"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6424 is enacted to read:

§6424. Transfer of commercial lobster and crab fishing license

A person who holds a valid Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license may transfer the license to that person's child, grandchild or spouse as long as that child, grandchild or spouse has completed the apprentice program under section 6422 or section 6475 and the license holder and the transferee notify the department in writing of the transfer.

Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6431-F, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 397, §6, is amended to read:

A. If the license holder was issued a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license for the first time after meeting the requirements of the apprentice program under section 6422 or after receiving a license by transfer under section 6424, the license holder may not purchase more than 300 trap tags for the initial license year. For each following year, the license holder may purchase up to an increase of 100 trap tags each year as long as the total number does not exceed the trap limit established by rule for the zone in which the person fishes a majority of that person's traps;

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SUMMARY

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6 The amendment is the minority report of the committee. It
8 amends the provision of the bill regarding the transfer of
10 licenses to limit the persons eligible to receive a license by
transfer to a child, grandchild or spouse of the license holder.
It adds a provision to limit a recipient of a license by transfer
to 300 trap tags in the initial year and an increase of 100 trap
tags each subsequent year up to the trap limit.