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14	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 122ND LEGISLATURE
16	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1264, L.D. 1824, Bill, "An
20	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1264, L.D. 1824, Bill, "An Act To Improve Water Skiing Safety"
22	Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:
24	'Sec.1. 12 MRSA §13074 is enacted to read:
26	<u>§13074. Watercraft towing skier</u>
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30	1. Requirements. A person in a watercraft may not tow a person on water skis, a surfboard or a similar device unless:
32	A. There is a person in the watercraft, in addition to the operator, who is at least 12 years of age and who is in a
34	position to continually observe the person being towed; or
36	B. The watercraft is equipped with a wide-angle ski mirror with a viewing surface of at least 70 square inches that is
38	at least 4 inches in height and 8 inches in length, that
40	<u>gives 180 degrees of vision behind the operator and that is</u> <u>designed as a ski mirror.</u>
42	2. Exception. This section does not apply to a watercraft towing a person on a tube or to a personal watercraft towing a
44	person.
46	3. Penalties. The following penalties apply to violations of this section.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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A. 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.

 B. A person who violates this section 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.'

SUMMARY

(See attached)

14 This amendment is the minority report and provides a civil penalty for failing to have either an observer on board or a rear-view wide-angle mirror when towing a person on water skis or a similar device. The amendment also makes technical changes to the bill.
20 FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Fiscal Note Required: Yes Minority Report

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements:

Establishes a new civil violation and a Class E crime. The collection of additional fines may increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.