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An Act To Fund a Joint Appointment for a Groundfish Ecologist

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TURNER of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative CAIN of Orono and
Senators: DAMON of Hancock, RAYE of Washington, Representatives: PINGREE of North
Haven, RECTOR of Thomaston.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
3 allocations are made.

4 **MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF**

5 **Bureau of Resource Management 0027**

6 Initiative: Appropriates funds for annual grants to the Gulf of Maine Research Institute to
7 be used to employ a groundfish ecologist with the goal of establishing a research
8 partnership between the Department of Marine Resources and the institute. These funds
9 are intended to cover the department's share of all salary, benefits and operational costs
10 and will be used only if matched on a one-to-one basis by the institute. The
11 Commissioner of Marine Resources is authorized to participate in the selection process
12 used to fill this position and in the development of an annual research plan.

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14 GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
15 All Other	\$100,000	\$100,000
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17 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$100,000	\$100,000

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This bill makes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$100,000 per year for the
20 Department of Marine Resources for its share of the costs of a groundfish ecologist to be
21 employed by the Gulf of Maine Research Institute.