

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

STATE LAW LIBRARY  
AUGUSTA, MAINE



# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2009

---

**Legislative Document**

**No. 852**

S.P. 321

In Senate, March 5, 2009

---

**An Act To Clarify the Public Ownership of Marine Organisms  
within the Intertidal Zone**

---

Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

Handwritten signature of Joy J. O'Brien in cursive.

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TRAHAN of Lincoln.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §3-A** is enacted to read:

3 **§3-A. Ownership of marine organisms in the intertidal zone**

4 In addition to the living resources of the seas owned and controlled by the State under  
5 section 2, subsection 2-A, the State declares that it owns and controls the harvesting of  
6 seaweed, shellfish and other marine organisms on or under lands within the intertidal  
7 zone.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill declares that the State owns and controls the harvesting of seaweed, shellfish  
10 and other marine organisms on or under lands within the intertidal zone.