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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
124TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 348,
L.D. 926, Bill, "An Act To Allow Smelt Fishing in Metallak Brook, Upper Richardson
Lake"

Amend the amendment by striking out the substitute title and replacing it with the
following:

'Resolve, To Direct the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Review
Inland Waters for Noncommercial Smelt Fishing Opportunities'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. Review of certain waters for smelt fishing opportunities.
Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall determine the
suitability of waters in Oxford County and Franklin County for noncommercial smelt
fishing opportunities, including, but not limited to, Upper Richardson Lake and Lower
Richardson Lake, Mooselookmeguntic Lake and Rangeley Lake and their tributaries.
The department shall consider establishing a rotational system for smelt fishing between a
number of locations in those counties to reduce the impact on any single smelt
population; and be it further

Sec. 2. Review of inland waters for smelt fishing by youth. Resolved:
That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall review inland waters on a
statewide basis to identify any water bodies that are not currently open to smelt fishing
where the department may propose to permit a person who has not attained 16 years of
age to fish for smelt for noncommercial purposes; and be it further

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
shall report its findings and recommendations regarding this resolve to the Joint Standing
Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2010.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces Committee Amendment "A" and directs the Department of
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to determine the suitability of waters in Oxford County and
Franklin County for noncommercial smelt fishing and to review inland waters on a
statewide basis to identify any water bodies that are not currently open to smelt fishing

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1 where the department may propose to permit a person under 16 years of age to fish for
2 smelt for noncommercial purposes. It also directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and
3 Wildlife to report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on
4 Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2010.

5 SPONSORED BY: Paul Trahan
6 (Senator TRAHAN)
7 COUNTY: Lincoln

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



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LD 926

LR 1309(05)

An Act To Allow Smelt Fishing in Metallak Brook, Upper Richardson Lake

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "B" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Trahan of Lincoln

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor savings - General Fund
Minor revenue decrease - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

This amendment eliminates the establishment of new Class D and E crimes;
This amendment eliminates the potential increase in General Fund fine revenue.