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MARINE RESOURCES

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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

129TH LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 667, L.D. 1925, Bill, "An Act To Make Technical Changes to Maine's Marine Resources Laws"

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

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6302-B, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 391, §6, is amended by amending subparagraph (4) to read:

(4) When the quota established under subsection 1 is reached, the department shall notify the tribe, nation or band. The commissioner may use the data collected from the elver transaction cards issued under subparagraph (1) to determine whether the overall annual quota established under subsection 1 has been reached. When the quota established under subsection 1 is reached, the holder of a license issued by the tribe, nation or band under section 6302-A, subsection 3 may not thereafter take, possess or sell elvers. Taking, possessing or selling elvers after the quota established under subsection 1 is reached is deemed a violation by the license holder of the prohibition on fishing in excess of the person's individual quota in section 6505-A, subsection 3-A.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 5 to 7 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6505-A, sub-§1-C, as amended by PL 2017, c. 250, §2, is further amended to read:

1-C. Elver transaction card issued. The department may issue an elver transaction card to each license holder under this section and to each license holder under section 6302-A, subsection 3, paragraphs E, E-1, F and G in accordance with section 6302-B. The department may charge each license holder an annual fee for the elver transaction card that may not exceed \$35. Fees collected under this subsection must be deposited in the Eel and Elver Management Fund under section 6505-D. The license holder shall use the elver transaction card to meet electronic reporting requirements established by rule pursuant to section 6173. The elver transaction card must include the license holder's name and license landings number.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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An Act To Make Technical Changes to Maine's Marine Resources Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-420)

Committee: Marine Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Marine Resources as a result of changes to the laws governing elver quotas are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.