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# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 476

In Senate, April 14, 2021

**An Act To Exempt Land-based Aquaculture Facilities from the  
Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code Requirements**

(EMERGENCY)

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Received by the Secretary of the Senate on April 12, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ROSEN of Hancock. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

1           **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not  
 2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3           **Whereas,** this legislation adds land-based aquaculture facilities to the buildings that  
 4 are not subject to the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code; and

5           **Whereas,** this legislation needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day  
 6 period in order to prevent a delay in a project that is already in progress; and

7           **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within  
 8 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as  
 9 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
 10 therefore,

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

12       **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §9722, sub-§6, ¶B-1,** as enacted by PL 2019, c. 391, §4, is  
 13 amended by amending subparagraph (4) to read:

14                 (4) That buildings used to house livestock or harvested crops or land-based  
 15                 aquaculture facilities are not subject to the Maine Uniform Building and Energy  
 16                 Code. For purposes of this subparagraph, "land-based aquaculture facilities"  
 17                 means facilities that are not located in the coastal waters of the State but are located  
 18                 in the State and are used for aquaculture of marine or freshwater organisms;

19       **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation  
 20 takes effect when approved.

21   **SUMMARY**

22                 This bill adds land-based aquaculture facilities to the buildings that are not subject to  
 23 the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.