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House of Representatives, May 11, 1951.

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Senator Larrabee of Sagadahoc.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Non-Resident Commercial Fishing Licenses.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the commercial fishing season is at its height during the summer months; and

Whereas, the state is without a law covering non-resident commercial fishing licenses due to a federal court ruling; and

Whereas, a great deal of confusion, controversy, loss of revenue and lack of conservation control will result; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 34, § 51, repealed and replaced. Section 51 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 51. Non-resident commercial fishing license. No non-resident of the state shall take, catch or kill for commercial purposes any species of

fish in Maine coastal waters until he has first procured from the commissioner a non-resident commercial fishing license. The fee for said license shall be \$50 and shall entitle the holder to take all species of fish except shellfish, lobsters and scallops.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.