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## **LAWS**

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# **STATE OF MAINE**

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neal, intrathoracic or intracardial injection of a lethal solution may be used.

- 2. Use of undamaged hypodermic needle. If euthanasia is by injection, an An undamaged hypodermic needle of a size suitable for the size and species of animal shall must be used.
- 3. Administration by a licensed veterinarian. Administration shall may only be by a licensed veterinarian or by a person trained for this purpose who is certified by the commissioner and subject to regular observation concerning continued efficiency. A person certified under this subsection may only euthanize animals that are vested to an animal shelter. A person certified to perform euthanasia may not euthanize an animal if, by performing that euthanasia, the person is in violation of Title 32, chapter 71-A.
- 4. Euthanasia solution. A licensed animal shelter having both a consulting veterinarian and a certified euthanasia technician may purchase, store and administer euthanasia solution for the euthanasia of cats, dogs and ferrets that are vested to the shelter, provided the purchase, storage and administration is in accordance with federal requirements. The director of the licensed animal shelter, as a veterinarian, a certified euthanasia technician or an agent of the certified euthanasia technician, is the only person with the authority to purchase euthanasia solution.
- **Sec. 28. Transfer of funds.** The Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall transfer \$10,000 from the Animal Welfare Fund to the spaying and neutering fund established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 3906-A, subsection 3.

See title page for effective date.

### **CHAPTER 491**

S.P. 429 - L.D. 1197

An Act Concerning the Sale of Double Gauge Lobster Measures

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

- Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6431, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1985, c. 677, §§3, 6 and 7, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- 3. Double gauge measure. The department shall use a double gauge lobster measure that is certified for accuracy by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, Office of Sealer of Weights and Measures. The measure must have one gauge that conforms to the minimum legal lobster size

in effect and another gauge 5 inches in length. Any measurement used to substantiate a violation of this section must be made with a certified double gauge lobster measure.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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## MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

### Bureau of Marine Patrol

All Other (\$3,000) (\$4,000)

Deappropriates funds to reflect the repeal of the requirement that the Department of Marine Resources must offer double gauge lobster measures for sale at cost.

See title page for effective date.

#### CHAPTER 492

H.P. 1032 - L.D. 1451

An Act to Change the Licensing Year for Certain Marine Resource Licenses and to Establish an Eel Fishing License

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

- **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, ¶C,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 497, §1, is further amended to read:
  - C. A marine worm digger's license issued under section 6751 expires on April 30th of each year; and
- **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 1993, c. 497, §2, is amended to read:
  - D. A shellfish sanitation certificate issued under section 6856 expires on April 30th of each year.
- Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6301, sub-§2, ¶¶E to Q are enacted to read: