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# **CHAPTER 6**

## H.P. 125 - L.D. 156

### An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Maine Jobs Council

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §2006, sub-§7, ¶A, as amended by PL 1997, c. 683, Pt. D, §10, is further amended to read:

A. The council shall create 4 standing committees of up to 12 members. Each standing committee may include up to -4-8 noncouncil members appointed by the council chair and drawn from the same constituency groups as the council's membership. The standing committees shall make recommendations to the full council. The 4 standing committees are as follows:

(1) Apprenticeship, with its membership specified in subsection 5-A, paragraph B;

(2) School-to-work;

(3) Employment of people with disabilities; and

(4) Women's employment issues.

**Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §2006, sub-§7, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 410, §12 and affected by §13, is amended to read:

B. The council may also create additional committees to address specific problems and issues. These committees may consist of up to 12 members and may include up to -4-8 noncouncil members appointed by the council chair and drawn from the same constituency groups as the council's membership. These committees shall make recommendations to the full council.

See title page for effective date.

#### **CHAPTER 7**

#### S.P. 303 - L.D. 905

### An Act Concerning the 1999 Elver Fishery

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

**Whereas,** the elver fishery has sustained a doubling in fishing effort in one year; and

Whereas, it is important that this fishery be managed as a sustainable fishery; and

Whereas, the level of fishing pressure experienced in the fishery places this resource at risk; and

Whereas, the fishing season in this fishery commences March 15th of this year; 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:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6001, sub-§13-H, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 91, §2, is amended to read:

**13-H. Elver dip net.** "Elver dip net" means a dip net with a hoop of not more than 30 inches in diameter and fitted with netting that measures 1/8 inch bar mesh or less.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6505-A, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 536, Pt. A, §8, is amended to read:

**2. Eligibility.** An elver fishing license may be issued only to an individual-<u>who:</u>

A. During the 1996 elver fishing season held an eel fishing license under former section 6505 or an elver fishing license and paid fees for the use of elver fyke nets, Sheldon eel traps or dip nets in accordance with Public Law 1995, chapter 536, Part A, section 12; and

B. During the 1997 and 1998 elver fishing seasons held an elver fishing license issued under this section.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6505-A, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 536, Pt. A, §8, is amended to read:

**3.** Limits on issuance. The department may not issue an elver fishing license after March 15th and before June 16th during the open season for elver fishing.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6505-A, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1997, c. 297, §2, is further amended to read:

**5.** Gear. <u>A</u> Except as prohibited by section 6575-B, subsection 2-A, a person issued a license under this section may utilize one elver fyke net, one Sheldon eel trap or one dip net to fish for or take