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nical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. 2. Retroactivity. This Act applies retroactively to January 1, 2007.

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

Effective June 4, 2007.

CHAPTER 212

H.P. 992 - L.D. 1409

An Act To Make Technical Changes to Maine's Aquaculture Statutes

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6071-A is enacted to read:

§6071-A. Definitions

As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. Intertidal zone. "Intertidal zone" means the shores, flats or other land between the high and mean low water mark.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6072-C, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 567, §2, is amended to read:

3. Eligibility. A limited-purpose aquaculture license may be issued only to an individual <u>or to a municipal shellfish management committee established</u> <u>pursuant to section 6671</u> and is a resident license.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6073, sub-§2-B is enacted to read:

2-B. Marking. In the coastal waters of the State, a person may not mark or designate an area as a sea farm, aquaculture lease or other similar designation unless that area is currently leased for aquaculture or is under consideration by the department for a lease through the aquaculture lease application process.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6082 is enacted to read:

<u>\$6082. Confidentiality provisions for aquaculture</u> <u>information from other jurisdictions</u>

Information obtained from other state, federal or foreign government agencies about aquaculture operations in other states, foreign countries or the exclusive economic zone that is designated as confidential by the jurisdiction from which it is obtained and that must remain confidential as a condition of receipt must be kept confidential by the department. Such information is not a public record as defined in Title 1, section 402, subsection 3. This section does not apply to aquaculture operations conducted in Maine.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 213

H.P. 1036 - L.D. 1474

An Act To Increase the Minimum Medical Payments Coverage in Automobile Insurance

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1605, sub-§1, ¶C, as amended by PL 1997, c. 176, §5 and affected by §8, is further amended to read:

C. Be in the amount or limit of at least:

(1) For damage to property, \$25,000;

(2) For injury to or death of any one person, \$50,000;

(3) For one accident resulting in injury to or death of more than one person, \$100,000; and

(4) For medical payments pursuant to section 1605-A, \$1,000 \$2,000.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1605-A, as amended by PL 1997, c. 776, §40, is further amended to read:

§1605-A. Medical payments

A motor vehicle liability policy issued for a motor vehicle registered or principally garaged in this State must provide coverage in an amount equal to or greater than \$1,000 \$2,000 per person for medical costs incurred as a result of injuries sustained in an accident involving the insured vehicle by the driver and passengers in that vehicle. The coverage required by this section only applies to medical costs incurred during one year following the date the injuries are sustained. This section does not apply to a policy insuring more than 4 motor vehicles, nor to any policy covering a garage, automobile sales agency, repair shop, service station or public parking place.

Sec. 3. Application. The requirements of this Act apply to all policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2008. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.

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