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STATE OF MAINE

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vers in violation of any law or rule regulating elvers under this Part.

Sec. 7. 12 MRSA §6865, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 45, §6, is amended to read:

5. Fees. The fee for an elver exporter's license is \$5,000. If the department requires inspection of elvers prior to export, the department may charge up to \$500 for each inspection.

Sec. 8. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Marine Science 0027

Initiative: Provides allocations to research and manage the State's eel and elver resources, to enforce the laws related to eels and elvers and to cover the costs associated with determining eligibility for elver fishing licenses.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$30,000	\$30,000
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$30,000	\$30,000

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CHAPTER 164 S.P. 502 - L.D. 1567

An Act To Change the Deadline for Submission of the Annual Report of the Public Advocate

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

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §1702, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

6. Annual report. The Public Advocate shall prepare and submit an annual report of activities of the Public Advocate to the Governor and to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public utilities <u>matters</u> by <u>August September</u> 1st of each year, with copies available to all legislators on request.

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CHAPTER 165

H.P. 755 - L.D. 1025

An Act To Prohibit the Provision of Conversion Therapy to Minors by Certain Licensed Professionals

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13020, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Grounds for discipline of a school psychologist or guidance counselor. Evidence that a person who is certified under this Title as a school psychologist or guidance counselor has advertised, offered or administered conversion therapy as defined in Title 32, section 59-C, subsection 1 to a child is grounds for discipline of that person.

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §13020, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 845, §4, is amended to read:

3. Denial of certificate for prior immoral or prohibited conduct. Evidence that an applicant for initial certification or renewal has injured the health or welfare of a child through physical or sexual abuse or exploitation is grounds for a denial of a certificate. Evidence that an applicant for initial certification or renewal as a school psychologist or guidance counselor has advertised, offered or administered conversion therapy as defined in Title 32, section 59-C, subsection 1 to a child is grounds for a denial of a certificate. Notwithstanding Title 5, chapter 341, every person, who, within 5 years of the application for initial certification or renewal, has been convicted in any state or federal court of a criminal offense involving the physical or sexual abuse or exploitation of a child, may be presumed by the commissioner to lack good moral character for the purposes of this chapter. This presumption shall be is a rebuttable presumption. Notwithstanding Title 5, chapter 341, the commissioner shall be is entitled to consider all records of prior criminal convictions involving child abuse or exploitation in determining an applicant's eligibility for a certificate.

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §3174-BBB is enacted to read:

§3174-BBB. Coverage for conversion therapy

The department may not provide MaineCare reimbursement for conversion therapy as defined in Title 32, section 59-C, subsection 1 administered to a minor.

Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §59-C is enacted to read: