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II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license may not be exceeded under the marine harvesting demonstration license.

**Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6810-A, sub-§4, ¶C** is enacted to read:

C. A marine harvesting demonstration license holder who also holds a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license shall use a buoy different in color and pattern and a different tag for fishing activities under subsection 2 than the buoy the individual uses for commercial harvesting.

**Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6810-A, sub-§7-A**, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 146, §3, is amended to read:

**7-A. Closed period exemption.** The holder of a marine harvesting demonstration license is exempt from the prohibition on raising or hauling any lobster trap pursuant to section 6440, subsection 2 when raising or hauling lobster traps from the vessel identified on the marine harvesting demonstration license while engaging in fishing activities under subsection 2.

**Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6810-A, sub-§11**, as amended by PL 2017, c. 146, §4, is further amended to read:

**11. Penalties.** A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 may be adjudged. The commissioner may suspend the Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license of a person who violates this section. Notwithstanding section 6401, subsection 2, the commissioner may permanently revoke the marine harvesting demonstration license of a person who sells, retains, ships or transports any portion of the catch or does not release all organisms alive into the area from which the organisms were harvested pursuant to subsection 3.

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**CHAPTER 130**

**H.P. 910 - L.D. 1244**

**An Act To Extend Electronic Proof of Registration to All-terrain Vehicles, Snowmobiles and Watercraft**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13056, sub-§1-A**, as amended by PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. OO, §13, is further amended to read:

**1-A. Operating without certificate of number.** Except as provided in paragraph A, a person may not operate or give permission to operate a motorboat re-

quiring a certificate of number without a current certificate of number or a current temporary certificate of number. Only the certificate of number or temporary certificate of number as issued by the commissioner is valid. A Except as provided in subsection 12, paragraph A, a facsimile or copy of the certificate is not valid.

A. The certificate of number for a watercraft less than 26 feet in length and leased or rented to another for the latter's noncommercial use may be retained on shore by the owner of the watercraft or the owner's representative at the place where the watercraft departs or returns to the possession of the owner or the owner's representative, as long as the person leasing or renting the watercraft has a copy of the lease or rental agreement that shows the watercraft number thereon and the period of time for which the watercraft is leased or rented and that is signed by the owner or the owner's representative.

B. The following penalties apply to violations of this subsection.

(1) A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.

(2) A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §13056, sub-§12, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

A. The operator shall have the certificate of number available for inspection on the motorboat for which it was issued whenever the motorboat is in operation. The operator may have the certificate of number available for inspection in electronic form on the motorboat for which it was issued.

**Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§12-A, ¶A**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 651, §18, is further amended to read:

A. A person shall:

(1) Provide a registration certificate or an online registration receipt for inspection by any law enforcement officer on demand. A person may provide a registration certificate or an online registration receipt in electronic form; and

(2) Display a registration number assigned to a snowmobile in such form and manner as the commissioner may determine, except that an antique snowmobile is not required to display registration numbers. A person may operate a

snowmobile registered online without displaying a registration number until that person receives the registration certificate from the department or for 30 days after registering the snowmobile online, whichever occurs first.

**Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §13155, sub-§8-A,** as amended by PL 2009, c. 340, §22, is further amended to read:

**8-A. Registration inspection.** An owner or operator of an ATV shall present a registration certificate or an online registration receipt for inspection by any law enforcement officer on demand. An owner or operator of an ATV may present a registration certificate or an online registration receipt in electronic form.

A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.

B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.

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**CHAPTER 131**

**H.P. 932 - L.D. 1272**

**An Act To Eliminate Limits on the Number of Taste-testing Events for Beer, Wine and Spirits**

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

**Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §460, sub-§2, ¶J,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 79, §1, is further amended to read:

J. The agency liquor store may conduct up to 15 an unlimited number of taste-testing events per month, ~~including taste-testing events conducted under sections 1205 and 1207.~~ If the agency liquor store complies with the applicable requirements of sections 1205 and 1207, the agency liquor store may offer wine and malt liquor for tasting at the same time as spirits.

**Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1205, sub-§2, ¶H,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 79, §2, is further amended to read:

H. The retail licensee may conduct up to 15 an unlimited number of taste-testing events per month, ~~including taste-testing events conducted under sections 460 and 1207.~~ If the retail licensee complies with the applicable requirements of sections 460 and 1207, the retail licensee may offer spirits and malt liquor for tasting at the same time as wine;

**Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §1207, sub-§2, ¶H,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 79, §3, is further amended to read:

H. The retail licensee may conduct up to 15 an unlimited number of taste-testing events per month, ~~including taste-testing events conducted under section 460 or 1205.~~ If the retail licensee complies with the applicable requirements of sections 460 and 1205, the retail licensee may offer spirits and wine for tasting at the same time as malt liquor.

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**CHAPTER 132**

**H.P. 1011 - L.D. 1377**

**An Act Regarding Campaign Finance Disclosure and the Filing of Statements of Sources of Income**

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

**Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §1016-C,** as amended by PL 2011, c. 634, §8, is further amended to read:

**§1016-C. Reports by legislative candidates**

A candidate, as defined in Title 21-A, section 1, subsection 5, for the Legislature who is not required to file a report under section 1016-G shall file a report containing the same information required of Legislators under section 1016-G no later than 5 p.m. on ~~the first Monday~~ in August 15th preceding the general election unless the candidate withdraws from the election in accordance with Title 21-A, section 374-A by that date.

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §19, sub-§2-A,** as amended by PL 2009, c. 524, §3, is repealed.

**Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §19, sub-§3-A,** as enacted by PL 2011, c. 634, §22, is amended to read:

**3-A. Filing upon termination of employment.**

An executive employee whose employment has terminated shall file a statement of finances as described in subsection 2 ~~and a statement of positions as described in subsection 2-A~~ within 45 days after the termination of employment relating to the final calendar year of the employment.

**Sec. 4. 21-A MRSA §1013-A, sub-§3,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 323, §4, is further amended to read:

**3. Party committees.** The district, county and municipal committees of parties shall submit to their state party committees the names, mailing addresses and e-mail addresses of all their officers and of their treasurers and the name and address of the principal paid employee, if any, within 10 days after the appointment,