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STATE OF MAINE

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

Marine Resources

BILL SUMMARY



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RESOLVE, DIRECTING THE DE-503 PARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES TO ERECT A FISHWAY ON THE ORANGE RIVER IN WHITING, WASHINGTON COUNTY

Vose

SUMMARY: In its original form, would have appropriated \$90,000 to the Department of Marine Resources for the construction of a fishway at the Crane Mill Dam on the Orange River. The bill was amended on the appropriations table to direct Marine Resources to construct the fishway if sufficient public or private funds become available.

528 AN ACT TO LICENSE THE HARVEST OF SEAWEEDS

Minkowsky

OTP-ND

SUMMARY: Enacted in new draft as LD 1171 (c.).

Requires a permit for the commercial possession, transportation or harvesting of any marine algae. The permit fee is \$3 for residents and \$25 for nonresidents. The purpose of the bill is to gather information on who is harvesting seaweed, and in what quantities.

539 AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE ATLANTIC SALMON AS A GAME FISH

Zirnkilton

LV/WD

540 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT PERSONS MUST SERVE AN APPRENTICESHIP BEFORE THEY MAY BE ISSUED A LOBSTER FISHING LICENSE

Zirnkilton LV/WD

563 AN ACT TO PROTECT UNDERWATER ELECTRIC CABLES AND TO IN-CREASE THE PENALTIES FOR VICIATIONS

Perkins, A OTP-ND

SUMMARY: Enacted in new draft as LD 1405 (c. 179).

Makes 3 changes to the provisions dealing with dragging in charted cable areas. First, it requires 1 year mandatory suspension of license authorizing the activity in which a person was engaged at the time of the violation. Second, the prohibition was broadened to include all of dragging, including scallop dragging. Finally. establishes minimum \$1000 civil forfeitures for violations.

586 AN ACT TO CONSERVE THE MAINE RESOURCES OF THE MEDOMAK RIVER

Curtis LV/WD

711 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE SEASON DURING WHICH SCALLOPS MAY BE TAKEN

Conners

LV/WD