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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
MARINE RESOURCES
BILL SUMMARY



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compromise which allows towns to use newspapers with "general circulation" (striking the word "statewide") and adding a requirement that the DMR publish a semiannual summary of municipal licensing provisions in a trade journal.

LD: **52** AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE FURNISHING OF LOBSTER CONNERS
 AND CRAB FISHING LICENSE HOLDERS WITH ANNUAL
 COPIES OF THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

LV-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
 SENATE Accepted Committee Report
 GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would have required that the DMR give every applicant for a lobster and crab license a copy of all laws and rules affecting their licensed activities. The committee rejected this proposal as too expensive. The existing system of a biennial summary of marine resources laws was judged to be adequate.

LD: **53** AN ACT TO REVISE THE LICENSE SUSPENSION CONNERS
 PENALTIES RELATING TO MARINE RESOURCES

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted PUBLIC
 SENATE Enacted CH # 43
 GOV SIGNED

H-16 CA H S

SUMMARY:

The original bill proposed a mandatory suspension of all marine resources licenses if the license holder violated any marine resources law or refused to allow inspection or seizure by marine patrol officers. The committee rejected these changes as unnecessarily harsh and inflexible. The committee did approve (CA H-16) extension of the potential length of license suspensions on the first, second and third or subsequent convictions. These suspensions are imposed at the Commissioner's (DMR) discretion after conviction.

LD: **54** AN ACT TO REVISE THE LOBSTER FUND CONNERS

LV-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
 SENATE Accepted Committee Report
 GOV

SUMMARY:

The bill proposed changes in the type of evidence that could be presented at a hearing on the suspension of a marine