

131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act to Conserve Coastal Habitat by Restricting Rockweed Harvesting on Private Property

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. Eaton of Deer Isle Committee: Marine Resources Fiscal Note Required: No

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Minor cost increase - General Fund Minor revenue increase - General Fund Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Establishes new Class E crime.

The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time.

The collection of additional fine revenue will increase General Fund and dedicated revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Marine Resources as a result of requiring a harvester to secure and carry the written permission from the owner of an intertidal zone property when harvesting rockweed are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.