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

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Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

*Robert B. Hunt*  
ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative EATON of Deer Isle.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6807-A** is enacted to read:

3 **§6807-A. Rockweed harvesting**

4 A person may not harvest rockweed, as defined in section 6803-C, subsection 1,  
5 paragraph B, in the intertidal zone of property owned by another without securing written  
6 permission from the owner or the owner's authorized agents to harvest rockweed and  
7 having a copy of the written permission in immediate possession. Violation of this section  
8 is a Class E crime.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill requires a person harvesting rockweed in the intertidal zone of property owned  
11 by another to secure and carry written permission from the owner or the owner's authorized  
12 agents to harvest rockweed.