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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act To Increase Penalties for the Discharge of  
Sewage, Septic Fluids, Garbage, Sanitary Waste or  
Other Pollutants from Watercraft into Inland Waters'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §423, sub-§5** is enacted to read:

**5. Penalty.** Notwithstanding section 349, subsection 2, a person who is charged with a civil violation of this section is subject to a civil penalty, payable to the State, of not less than \$500 and not more than \$10,000 for each day of that violation.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment changes the title, replaces the bill and increases the minimum penalty from not less than \$100 to not less than \$500 for the discharge of sewage, septic fluids, garbage or other pollutants from watercraft into inland waters or for operating on inland waters a watercraft that has a permanently installed sanitary waste disposal system if it does not have a holding tank to prevent the discharge of sanitary waste into inland waters.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)