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Amend the bill by adding after section 9 the following:

Sec. 10. 12 MRSA §6808, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 186, §1, is amended to read:

1. License required. It is unlawful for a person to engage in the activities authorized by ~~this license under this section~~ subsection 2 without a current commercial green crab only license. This subsection does not apply to a person who holds a current lobster and crab fishing license issued pursuant to section 6421, subsection 1, paragraph A, B, C or E.

Sec. 11. 12 MRSA §6808, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

4-A. Exemptions. Notwithstanding subsection 1, a license is not required to fish for, take, possess or transport green crabs for personal use if the green crabs are taken by hand or by a method exempted from licensing requirements under section 6501, subsection 3, paragraph A.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that a person who holds a current lobster and crab fishing license does not need to obtain a commercial green crab only license to fish for or take green crabs or possess, ship, transport or sell green crabs. This amendment also exempts a person from commercial green crab licensing requirements if that person is fishing for, taking, possessing or transporting green crabs for personal use and the green crabs are taken by hand or by speargun, harpoon, minnow trap, hand dip net or hook and line.

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