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An Act To Promote Fishing by Youth

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative PEASE of Morrill.
Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and
Representatives: CHENETTE of Saco, FOWLE of Vassalboro, McCABE of Skowhegan,
NADEAU of Fort Kent, NADEAU of Winslow, WELSH of Rockport, WOOD of Sabattus,
Senator: COLLINS of York.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12501, sub-§2, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2
3 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

4 B. A nonresident fishing license to a nonresident ~~12~~ 16 years of age or older.

5 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §12501, sub-§5,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and
6 affected by c. 614, §9, is repealed.

7 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §12501, sub-§6, ¶D,** as amended by PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. OO,
8 §11, is repealed.

9 **Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §12503, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and
10 affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

11 **1. Resident and nonresident under 16.** A resident and nonresident under 16 years
12 of age ~~and a nonresident under 12 years of age~~ may fish without a license.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill eliminates the requirement for a general nonresident junior fishing license
15 for youths 12 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, so that all youths under the
16 age of 16 do not need a fishing license, whether they are a resident or not.