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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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**STATE OF MAINE
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127TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 449, L.D. 668, Bill, “An Act To Market Maine's Hunting and Fishing Opportunities”

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2-A by inserting at the end a new blocked paragraph to read:

'This subsection is repealed July 1, 2019.'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Increase in funding. The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall submit a bill to the First Regular Session of the 128th Legislature to increase the total General Fund appropriation to \$300,000 for fiscal year 2017-18 for the operation of a comprehensive marketing program, including ongoing funding for a Marketing Specialist position.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF
Public Information and Education, Division of 0729**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funding for one Marketing Specialist position.

GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$69,867
All Other	\$0	\$2,844
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$72,711

Public Information and Education, Division of 0729

Initiative: Provides funding to adopt and operate a comprehensive marketing program.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1	GENERAL FUND	2015-16	2016-17
2	All Other	\$0	\$177,289
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4	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$177,289</u>

5	INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE,		
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7	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2015-16	2016-17
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9	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$250,000
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11	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>
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13 **SUMMARY**

14 This amendment adds a General Fund appropriation of \$250,000 in ongoing funding
 15 in fiscal year 2016-17 to fund the establishment and operation of the comprehensive
 16 marketing program proposed in the bill and to fund one Marketing Specialist position. It
 17 also directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to submit a bill to the First
 18 Regular Session of the 128th Legislature to increase the total funding for the
 19 comprehensive marketing program to \$300,000 in fiscal year 2017-18.

20 This amendment repeals the comprehensive marketing program July 1, 2019.

21 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

22 **(See attached)**