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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 137, L.D. 214, “An Act to Create a For-hire Charter Boat Operator License and to Require Individuals Recreationally Fishing for Halibut in Coastal Waters to Register with the Saltwater Recreational Fishing Registry”

Amend the bill in section 5 in §6313 in subsection 4 by striking out all of paragraph A (page 2, lines 9 and 10 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'A. Possesses a valid United States merchant marine document issued by the United States Coast Guard for an operator of uninspected passenger vessel or master or mate captain's license; or'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 5 the following:

'Sec. 6. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2026.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment corrects language referencing the United States Coast Guard and adds an effective date of January 1, 2026.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)