STATE OF MAINE

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An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Invasive Aquatic Plants

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §410-N, sub-§1, ¶B, as amended by PL 2005, c. 561, §1, is further amended to read:

B. "Invasive aquatic plant" means a species identified by the department as an invasive aquatic plant or one of the following species:

1. All Myriophyllum species nonindigenous to the State, including but not limited to variable-leaf water-milfoil, Myriophyllum heterophyllum; Eurasian watermilfoil water-milfoil, Myriophyllum spicatum; and parrot feather, Myriophyllum aquaticum;
2. Variable-leaf water milfoil, Myriophyllum heterophyllum;
3. Parrot feather, Myriophyllum aquaticum;
4. Water All Trapa species, including but not limited to water chestnut, Trapa natans;
5. Hydrilla, Hydrilla verticillata;
6. Fanwort All Cabomba species, including but not limited to fanwort, Cabomba caroliniana;
7. Curly pondweed, Potamogeton crispus;
8. European naiad, Najas minor;
9. Brazilian elodea, Egeria densa;
10. Frogbit, Hydrocharis morsus-ranae; and
11. Yellow floating heart, Nymphoides peltata;
12. Water soldier, Stratiotes aloides;
13. Giant salvinia, Salvinia molesta;
14. Swollen bladderwort, Utricularia inflata; and
(15) Starry stonewort, Nitellopsis obtusa.

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §419-C, sub-§1, ¶C, as amended by PL 2003, c. 627, §6, is further amended to read:

C. After September 1, 2000, sell or offer for sale in this State any invasive aquatic plant or any plant of the species and varieties in the genus Myriophyllum that is indigenous to the State; or