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9 10 11	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "" to H.P. 1348, L.D. 1882, Bill, "An Act To Provide Noncommercial Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses and Scallop Licenses to Disabled Veterans at No Cost"
12 13	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:
14 15	'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§7-B, ¶Q, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. EEEEE, §3, is amended to read:
16 17	Q. For a noncommercial lobster and crab fishing license, \$60, except as provided in subsection 7-D; and
18	Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§7-D is enacted to read:
19 20 21 22	7-D. Qualified resident disabled veteran; fee waived. Notwithstanding subsection 7-B, there is no fee for a noncommercial lobster and crab fishing license issued to a qualified resident disabled veteran. For the purposes of this subsection, "qualified resident disabled veteran" means a person who:
23 24	A. Was honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States, the National Guard or the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces;
25	B. Has a service-connected disability evaluated at 50% or more; and
26	C. Is a resident of the State.
27 28 29	In order to receive a noncommercial lobster and crab fishing license at no cost, an applicant must provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant is a qualified resident disabled veteran.
30 31	Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6703, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. G, §19, is further amended to read:
32 33	4. Fee. The fee for a noncommercial scallop license is \$18, except as provided in subsection 4-A.

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1	Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §6703, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:
2 3 4 5	4-A. Qualified resident disabled veteran; fee waived. Notwithstanding subsection 4 and section 6729, subsection 1, paragraph D, there is no fee or license surcharge for a noncommercial scallop license issued to a qualified resident disabled veteran. For the purposes of this subsection, "qualified resident disabled veteran" means a person who:
6 7	A. Was honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States, the National Guard or the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces;
8	B. Has a service-connected disability evaluated at 50% or more; and
9	C. Is a resident of the State.
10 11	In order to receive a noncommercial scallop license at no cost, an applicant must provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant is a qualified resident disabled veteran.
12 13	Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6729, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 2009, c. 561, §25, is further amended to read:
14 15	D. For a noncommercial scallop license, \$40, except as provided in section 6703, subsection 4-A; and'
16 17	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.
18	SUMMARY
19 20 21 22 23	This amendment replaces the bill. It clarifies that a qualified resident disabled veteran may obtain a noncommercial lobster and crab fishing license or a noncommercial scallop license at no cost, and it adds reservists to the definition of "qualified resident disabled veteran." It also exempts a qualified resident disabled veteran from paying the scallop license surcharge that is assessed on a noncommercial scallop license.
24	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
25	(See attached)

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