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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 859, L.D. 2031, “An Act to Make Technical Changes to the State's Marine Resources Laws”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Make Changes to the State's Marine Resources Laws'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

'Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §6749-Q, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 740, §3, is amended to read:

4. Wholesale seafood license with a sea urchin buyer's permit. ~~Five~~ One hundred and ~~sixty~~ dollars on a wholesale seafood license with a sea urchin buyer's permit; and'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 5 the following:

'Sec. 6. 12 MRSA §6808, sub-§4-B is enacted to read:

4-B. Municipal exemption. Notwithstanding subsection 1, a license is not required to fish for, take, possess or transport green crabs if the green crabs are taken by a person acting at the direction of a municipal shellfish management committee, established pursuant to section 6671, subsection 2, for the purpose of municipal shellfish management. Green crabs taken under this exemption may not be sold.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment changes the surcharge for a wholesale seafood license with a sea urchin buyer's permit from \$500 to \$160. It also adds an exemption for the harvesting of green crabs that provides that a person may fish for, take, possess or transport green crabs without a license if the person is acting at the direction of a municipal shellfish management

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
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