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Honorable members of the Inland Fisheries & Wildlife committee,

I live in Brunswick almost a half mile inland and I am disturbed by the amount of noise that I hear from fishing boats in the last 3-4 years. While I can tolerate the level we experience, it is loud and I cannot imagine what it must be like to live closer to the water!

We have quite a few dear friends that do live nearer the water, including three that are close to Wharton Point. The noise is thunderous and totally disruptive to their lives. It occurs early in the morning, late at night and at all times in between. They bought their houses about 6-10 years ago before the louder fishing boats started being used. Now they can't eat outside, entertain or have a wedding in their yard for fear of disruption. IT IS UNFAIR that the noise conditions have changed. Why has the State allowed this to happen?

I oppose LD 114 (allowing up to 90 dbA), which is so loud. And I support and LD 89 (80 dbA) or any bill with a decibel cap that is lower.

The benefit of a few diminishes the quality of life for many and it is just not necessary as evidenced by the fact that even 10 years ago, these decibel levels were not experienced.

Thank you for your consideration,
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