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An Act To Improve Water Monitoring at Clam Flats

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the public health and welfare may be adversely affected by undetected episodes of red tide; and

Whereas, water monitoring efforts in Washington County need to be improved in anticipation of the spring clamming season; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

MARINE RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Resource Management 0027

Initiative: Establishes one additional Marine Resource Scientist I position to be used for water monitoring purposes in Washington County.

GENERAL FUND POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	2005-06 1.000	2006-07 1.000
All Other	\$2,622	\$5,277
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$22,954	\$83,164

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

SUMMARY

This bill establishes one additional Marine Resource Scientist I position to be used for water monitoring purposes in Washington County.