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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 (page 1, lines 10 to 18 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

‘**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6421, sub-§4**, as amended by PL 1991, c. 591, Pt. T, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

4. Exception. A license is not required for a person:

A. To take or catch crabs with bare hands or hook and line; or

B. Who is issued a commercial fishing license under section 6501 to take, possess and sell crabs that have been taken as bycatch while using an otter trawl within the exclusive economic zone as shown on the most recently published Federal Government nautical chart. Crabs taken by otter trawl within the territorial waters must be liberated alive immediately.

This subsection is repealed June 30, 2012.’

SUMMARY

This amendment adds a repeal date of June 30, 2012.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)