



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act Amending the Trap Limit for the Swans Island Lobster Conservation Area

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Sen. Langley of Hancock

Committee: Marine Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

Minor savings - General Fund
Minor revenue decrease - General Fund

	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
Revenue					
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Increasing the trap limit from 550 traps to 600 will eliminate Class D violations related to that range. A reduction in fines will decrease General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill raises the number of traps that may be placed or maintained by individuals registered to obtain Swans Island Lobster Conservation Area trap tags from 550 to 600. This will increase Other Special Revenue Funds revenue from increased trap tag sales by an estimated \$1,100 to the Lobster Management Fund within the Department of Marine Resources in fiscal year 2014-15 and in every subsequent fiscal year.