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House of Representatives, February 28, 2017

An Act To Give the Department of Marine Resources Flexibility with Licensing in the Atlantic Herring Fishery

Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Presented by Representative PARRY of Arundel. Cosponsored by Senator MAKER of Washington and Senator: LANGLEY of Hancock.

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| 1 | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: |
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| 2 | Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6502-A, sub-§3-A is enacted to read: |
| 3 4 5 6 7 8 | 3-A. Limits; Atlantic herring. The commissioner may adopt rules that establish different Atlantic herring landings limits for commercial pelagic and anadromous fishing license holders who recorded landings of Atlantic herring in this State prior to January 1, 2017 and who did not record landings of Atlantic herring in this State prior to January 1, 2017. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. |
| 9 | SUMMARY |
| 10 11 12 13 | This bill allows the Commissioner of Marine Resources to adopt rules that establish different landings limits for commercial pelagic and anadromous fishing license holders who recorded landings of Atlantic herring in this State prior to January 1, 2017 and who did not record landings of Atlantic herring in this State prior to January 1, 2017. |