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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Prohibit the Use of Blackchin Shiners as Baitfish'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10001, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

6. Baitfish. "Baitfish" means only those species in the following list:

- A. Lake chub, (*Couesius plumbeus*);
- B. Eastern silvery minnow, (*Hybognathus regius*);
- C. Golden shiner, (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*);
- D. Emerald shiner, (*Notropis atherinoides*);
- E. Bridle shiner, (*Notropis bifrenatus*);
- F. Common shiner, (*Luxilus cornutus*);
- G. Blacknose shiner, (*Notropis heterolepis*);
- H. Spottail shiner, (*Notropis hudsonius*);
- I. Northern redbelly dace, (*Phoxinus eos*);
- J. Finescale dace, (*Phoxinus neogaeus*);
- K. Fathead minnow, (*Pimephales promelas*);
- L. Blacknose dace, (*Rhinichthys atratulus*);
- M. Longnose dace, (*Rhinichthys cataractae*);
- N. Creek chub, (*Semotilus atromaculatus*);
- O. Fallfish, (*Semotilus corporalis*);
- P. Pearl dace, (*Margariscus margarita*);
- Q. Banded killifish, (*Fundulus diaphanus*);
- R. Mummichog, (*Fundulus heteroclitus*);

- S. Longnose sucker, (*Catostomus catostomus*);
- T. White sucker, (*Catostomus commersoni*);
- U. Creek chubsucker, (*Erimyzon oblongus*); and
- V. American eel, (*Anquilla rostrata*); and
- W. Blackchin shiner, (*Notropis heterodon*);'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report. It prohibits the use of blackchin shiners as baitfish in inland waters.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)