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Amend the bill in section 6 in subsection 2-B in the 2nd line (page 1, line 30 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "possess" the following: ', transport'

Amend the bill in section 7 in subsection 5-D in paragraph B in the 2nd line (page 2, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and"

Amend the bill in section 7 in subsection 5-D in paragraph C in the 2nd line (page 2, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "State." and inserting the following: 'State; and'

Amend the bill in section 7 in subsection 5-D by inserting after paragraph C the following:

'D. Documents to the commissioner that that person has not been issued trap tags from a state other than Maine or federally issued trap tags that allow the individual to exceed a trap limit established under section 6431-A.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 12.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 20 the following:

'Sec. 21. Report. The Department of Marine Resources shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over marine resources matters on the implementation of the nonresident lobster and crab landing permit, the number of permits sold and the effect of the permit on lobster fishing efforts and Maine businesses by January 3, 2009. The joint standing committee may submit out legislation during the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature related to that report.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report and provides that an applicant for a nonresident lobster and crab landing permit must document to the Commissioner of Marine Resources that that person has not been issued lobster trap tags from another state or from the federal government that would allow that person to exceed Maine's trap tag limit. It also provides that the holder of the permit may transport lobsters within the State. The amendment directs the Department of Marine Resources to report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over marine resources matters on the implementation and impact of the nonresident lobster and crab landing permit on the lobster resource and related businesses by January 3, 2009.