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**An Act To Reduce the Spread of Invasive Aquatic Plants by
Prohibiting Seine Fishing in Great Ponds**

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative ACKLEY of Monmouth.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §410-N, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

3 **4. Seine fishing in great ponds.** If the department documents the occurrence of
4 invasive aquatic plants in a great pond, fishing in the great pond using a seine is
5 prohibited. For purposes of this subsection, "great pond" has the same meaning as in
6 section 436-A, subsection 7 and "seine" has the same meaning as in Title 12, section
7 10001, subsection 55.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill prohibits fishing using a seine in a great pond in which the Department of
10 Environmental Protection has documented the occurrence of invasive aquatic plants.