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An Act To Increase the Number of Rafting Passengers Allowed for Licensed Outfitters on Unallocated Rivers

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

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin.

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

- Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12912, sub-§3, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B,
 §336 and affected by §422, is amended to read:
- 4 A. Except as provided in this subsection, an outfitter may not carry:
 - (1) On any unallocated rapidly flowing river more than 92 120 passengers per day; or

7 (2) On any allocated rapidly flowing river more than 92 passengers per day or 8 more than the allocations for that outfitter's largest single day on that river, whichever number is greater. On allocated days, that limit may be exceeded only 9 as provided in section 12913, subsection 2, paragraph A, subparagraph 4. On 10 unallocated days, an outfitter may occasionally carry up to 4 additional 11 passengers to accommodate problems in booking. Abuse of the privilege to carry 12 4 additional passengers results in its loss for a period to be determined by the 13 commissioner. 14

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SUMMARY

16 This bill increases the number of rafting passengers allowed on unallocated rapidly 17 flowing rivers for licensed outfitters from 92 passengers per day to 120 passengers per 18 day.