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House of Representatives, February 16, 2017

**An Act To Ensure Consistent Access to Limited-entry Lobster Zones** 

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

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Presented by Representative HUBBELL of Bar Harbor.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6448, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:
3 4 5 6 7 8	3-A. Fishing in limited-entry zones without prior licensure. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a person holding a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license who did not hold a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license prior to the effective date of this subsection may not fish traps in a limited-entry zone unless that person's license identifies that zone as the declared lobster zone.
9	SUMMARY
10 11 12 13	This bill prohibits a person holding a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license who did not hold a Class I, Class II or Class III lobster and crab fishing license prior to the effective date of this legislation from fishing traps in a limited-entry zone that is not the license holder's declared lobster zone.