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CHAPTER
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PUBLIC LAW

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY

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H.P. 1495 - L.D. 2098

**An Act To Remove Nighttime Restrictions on Lobster Fishing in a Certain
Area in the Bay of Fundy**

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6440, as amended by PL 2017, c. 32, §1, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Notwithstanding subsection 1, a person may raise or haul any lobster trap from September 1st to October 31st, both days inclusive, during any time of the day in an area in the Bay of Fundy that encompasses approximately 210 square miles around Machias Seal Island where there are overlapping claims of sovereignty by the United States and Canada if that person is authorized to fish in the lobster management zone established pursuant to section 6446 in which the area described is located. The commissioner shall define this area in rule to ensure that the boundaries of this area are clearly delineated. Rules adopted pursuant to this section regarding the boundaries of the area are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.