

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

—
S.P. 364 - L.D. 1038

**An Act To Amend the Emergency Rule-making Authority of the Department
of Marine Resources**

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6171, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

3. Emergency rules. The commissioner may adopt or amend rules under the emergency procedures provided in Title 5, chapter 375 in the following circumstances:

A. Immediate action is necessary to protect or conserve any marine organism from unusual damage or imminent depletion;

B. An unusually large concentration of fishermen might deplete the supply of any marine organism; or

C. Immediate action is necessary to comply with changes to federal or interstate fisheries management plans.