

Bill as Introduced

HB 1144 - AS INTRODUCED

2010 SESSION

10-2140
10/09

HOUSE BILL **1144**

AN ACT relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish.

SPONSORS: Rep. Watters, Straf 4; Rep. Henson, Rock 13; Rep. Rogers, Straf 1; Rep. Sanders, Rock 7; Sen. Merrill, Dist 21

COMMITTEE: Fish and Game and Marine Resources

ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the definition of a set line in the taking of fish.

This bill is a request of the fish and game department.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten

AN ACT relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 1 General Provisions; Fish and Game; Definitions. Amend RSA 207:1, XXV to read as follows:
- 2 XXV. Set Line: A set line [~~is an unattended line~~] ***means any unattended line which is***
- 3 ***placed in the freshwaters of the state, including through the ice, for the purpose of taking***
- 4 ***fish which is not under the direct view and control of the person placing the line.***
- 5 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Speakers

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1144

BILL TITLE: relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish.
DATE: January 14, 2010
LOB ROOM: 307 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 2:40 p.m.
Time Adjourned: 2:45 p.m.

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. Abbott, Porter, Henson, Marshall, M. Preston, Rogers, Carr, Farley, J. Russell, K. Ward, Watters, L'Heureux, McKinney, Reed, Bulis, Hopper, Sanders, M. McCarthy and Roberts.

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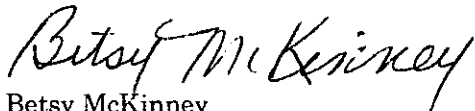
TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. David Watters - Prime sponsor of the bill. Request of Fish and Game to clarify the definition of set lines to help with enforcement.

* **Timothy Acerno, NH Fish and Game Department** - Supports the bill.

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. Betsy McKinney
Clerk

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Rep. Watters, sponsor - request of F+G to clarify the definition of set lines - to help with enforcement.
* Timothy Acerno - F+G - supporting

Testimony



New Hampshire Fish and Game Department

File

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**New Hampshire Fish and Game Department
Testimony in support of HB 1144.
An act relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish**

**House Fish and Game and Marine Resources Committee
January 14, 2010**

Good afternoon Mr. Chair and members of the Committee. For the record my name is Timothy Acerno and I am the Assistant Chief of Law Enforcement for the Fish and Game Department. The Department requested this bill and the Fish and Game Commission voted to support it.

The Department continues to work with the Legislature to identify and correct any problems that may come to light while enforcing or administering the various programs. While the current definition of a set line in RSA 207:1 does identify a set line as we understand it, there are some circumstances the Department feels need to be addressed. The proposed definition has been reviewed by the Law Enforcement and Fisheries Staff and we feel the concerns have been addressed.

Mr. Chair, thank you for the opportunity to testify before the Committee this afternoon and the Department urges the Committee to vote in support of this proposal.

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Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1144

BILL TITLE: relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish.

DATE: January 19, 2010

LOB ROOM: 307

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Henson

Seconded by Rep. Marshall

Vote: 13-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 13-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Betsy McKinney, Clerk

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Seconded by Rep.

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CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: Yes 13-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

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FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES

Bill #: HB 1144 Title: Definition of set line use for taking fish

PH Date: 1 / 14 / 10 Exec Session Date: 1 / 19 / 10

Motion: OTP Amendment #: _____

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Abbott, Dennis F, Chairman	✓	
Porter, Margaret E, V Chairman	✓	
Henson, John W	✓	
Marshall, Seth C	✓	
Preston, Mark F	—	
Rogers, Rose Marie	✓	
Carr, Daniel P	—	
Farley, Michael J	—	
Russell, Joseph A	—	
Ward, Kenneth J	✓	
Watters, David H	✓	
L'Heureux, Robert J	✓	
McKinney, Betsy, Clerk	✓	
Reed, Dennis	—	
Bulis, Lyle E	✓	
Hopper, Gary S	✓	
Sanders, Elisabeth N	✓	
McCarthy, Michael J	✓	
Roberts, John E	—	
<u>Henson OTP</u>	<u>13-0</u>	
TOTAL VOTE:		

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

January 20, 2010

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on FISH AND GAME AND MARINE
RESOURCES to which was referred HB1144,**

**AN ACT relative to the definition of a set line used for
taking fish. Having considered the same, report the
same with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO
PASS.**

Rep. John W Henson

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES
Bill Number:	HB1144
Title:	relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish.
Date:	January 20, 2010
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill defines a set line as an unattended line placed in the fresh waters of the state, including through the ice that is not under the direct view and control of the person placing the line.

Vote 13-0.

Rep. John W Henson
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES

HB1144, relative to the definition of a set line used for taking fish. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

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OTP

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John Henson

13-0

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1/20/10

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Fish & Game

BILL NUMBER: HB 1144

TITLE: _____

DATE: 1/19/10 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO
13-0

- OUGHT TO PASS
- OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT
- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- RE-REFER
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No.

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

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AS AN UNATTENDED LINE PLACED IN
THE FRESH WATERS OF THE STATE,
INCLUDING THROUGH THE ICE, THAT IS NOT
UNDER THE DIRECT VIEW AND CONTROL
OF THE PERSON PLACING THE LINE.

COMMITTEE VOTE: 13-0

- Copy to Committee Bill File
- Use Another Report for Minority Report

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Rep. [Signature] Chairman
For the Committee