

HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

Date: May 1, 1998

Bill Subject: Marine Fisheries

Prepared By: Senate Committee on Natural Resources

I. Amendments Contained in Message

House Amendment 1 -- 423409 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message

House Amendment 1:

- Exempts certified aquaculture activities which apply appropriate best management practices adopted pursuant to s. 597.004, F.S., from permitting requirements of water management districts under Part IV of ch. 373, F.S., (Management and Storage of Surface Waters).
- Exempts aquaculture activities certified by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) that have individual production units whose annual production and water discharge are less than the parameters established by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program from DEP wastewater management regulations. "Individual production units" will be defined by the DACS by rule.