

ACT 234

H.B. NO. 1180

A Bill for an Act Relating to the License for Imported Marine Life.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Section 189-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**“§189-6 [Marine] Licenses for marine life from waters not within state jurisdiction [during closed seasons]. Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, wherever the possession or sale of marine life or products within the State is prohibited as for instance by a closed season, the prohibition shall not apply where the marine life or products have been taken from or caught outside of the waters of the State and the possession or sale has been licensed by the department of land and natural resources under rules adopted by the department. The department may make rules pursuant to chapter 91 governing the issuance, suspension, and revocation and all other terms of the licenses. In addition, the department may specify in the rules that any berried, undersized, or out-of-season lobsters taken from the waters of the northwestern Hawaiian islands may not be possessed and sold under authority of the license.”**

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved July 2, 1999.)