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Amendment No.

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Senator Latvala moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 13, line 26, through page 14, line 15, delete those lines

and insert:

(3)(a) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), unless authorized by rule of the Marine Fisheries Commission, it is a major violation under this section, punishable as provided in subsection (4), for any person,, firm, or corporation to possess any gill or entangling net, or any seine net larger than 500 square feet in mesh area, on any airboat or on any other vessel less than 22 feet in length and on any vessel less than 25 feet if primary power of the vessel is mounted forward of the vessel center point. Gill or entangling nets shall be as defined in s. 16, Art. X of the State Constitution, s. 370.093(2)(b), or in a rule of the Marine Fisheries Commission implementing s. 16, Art. X of the State Constitution. Vessel length shall be determined in accordance with current U.S. Coast Guard regulations specified in the

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1 Code of Federal Regulations or as titled by the State of
2 Florida. The Marine Fisheries Commission is directed to
3 initiate by July 1, 1998, rulemaking to adjust by rule the use
4 of gear on vessels longer than 22 feet where the primary power
5 of the vessel is mounted forward of the vessel center point in
6 order to prevent the illegal use of gill and entangling nets
7 in state waters and to provide reasonable opportunities for
8 the use of legal net gear in adjacent federal waters.

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11 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

12 And the title is amended as follows:

13 On page 1, line 17, after the semicolon

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15 insert:

16 creating a major violation for the possession

17 of specified nets on certain vessels;

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