State of Rhode Island Department of Administration Office of Management and Budget

Fiscal Note for Proposed Administrative Rules (R.I.G.L. § 22-12-1.1)

Name of Administrative Rule: PART 1 – Definitions and General Provisions (250-RICR-90-00-1)

Penalties for Non-compliance: Issuance of Tickets for Marine Fisheries Violations Through the RI Traffic Tribunal (RITT)

FISCAL IMPACT						
State Revenues		State Expendi	State Expenditures		City/Town Expenditures	
FY 2026	\$0	FY 2026	\$0	FY 2026	\$0	
FY 2027	\$0	FY 2027	\$0	FY 2027	\$0	
FY 2028	\$0	FY 2028	\$0	FY 2028	\$0	

Summary of Policy Change:

<u>Proposal:</u> Division proposal to amend penalties for non-compliance for consistency with statutory changes. RI statute was amended for violations relating to seasons, possession limits, size limits, and methods of take on any species of fish, game, bird, or other wild animal occurring within the state. The following amendments are proposed for clarity and consistency with RI statute:

Section 1.8:

- Delete 1.8(A), pertaining to the Administrative Adjudication Division (AAD) process.
- Amend 1.8(B)(1) to include statutory reference for this language, remove language for wild animals, wild birds, lobsters and fish, and add language "unless otherwise specifically provided".
- Add language in new 1.8(B) that outlines when a non-compliance penalty shall be a \$100 fine through the RITT.
- Amend 1.8(B)(2) to remove "person" and add "the owner and/or operator of the vessel and/or license/permit holder", and to amend Part 6 reference.

The language in 1.8(A) is provided in statute (R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-17.7) and regulation elsewhere (250-RICR-10-00-1) and deemed unnecessary. The wild animals, wild birds, lobsters and fish language in 1.8(B)(1) is not necessary as these are marine fisheries regulations and therefore wild animals and birds do not apply, and lobsters and fish are covered under marine, freshwater and anadromous fisheries and shellfisheries. The other changes reflect the necessary consistencies with statute and additional clarity.

Summary of State Fiscal Impact:

No state fiscal impact as there is no anticipated change in the number of licenses issued

City or Town Impact: None

Reviewed/Approved by CFO:	 Dated:
Reviewed/Approved by CFO:	 Dated: