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Summary of Comments

Agency: Department of Environmental Management

Division: Marine Fisheries

Regulation: **Part 1 – Definitions and General Provisions (250-RICR-90-00-1)**

Type of rulemaking: Regular rulemaking

Type of filing: Amendment

Timetable for action on the proposed rule:

- Date of public notice: October 15, 2025
- Date of hearing: November 3, 2025
- End of comment period: November 16, 2025

Proposed rules and comments received:

1. **Penalties: Issuance of Tickets for Marine Fisheries Violations Through the RI Traffic Tribunal (RITT)**

- **PROPOSAL 1 (Division/Noticed):** Amend regulations to be consistent with statute whereby violations will be subject to a \$100 fine per offense and shall be under the jurisdiction of RITT (*section 1.8*)

Comments received: One comment received in support of the proposal as long as the Department doesn't go crazy issuing tickets and issuance of tickets is well thought out.

IMPORTANT! The public hearing was recorded and is publicly available on the Division of Marine Fisheries YouTube channel [here](#). *This document serves only as a tally of support, opposition, or alternative proposals received, as provided in written and oral comments received; it does not include supporting details, rationale, or discussion of matters not specific to the proposed rules.*