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Comments: Mr. Albis, I am writing to express my support for the provision in bill # 6733 that provides the means to obtain a 50 pot lobster license.

I am attempting to start an educational charter business taking families out onto the Sound to check pots and at the same time, discuss lobster biology and habitat. The current lobster pot limit of 10 would only allow me to take one charter every three days and therefore from a business perspective, far too restrictive. Fishing 40 pots allows for a single charter each day with a three day soak time. Economically, this works much better. I do understand that lobster numbers are down but I would rather be limited by the number of lobster taken than by the number of pots fished.

Thank-you in advance for your consideration