

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE - HUNDRETH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1369

H. P. 982

House of Representatives, February 8, 1961

Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hardy of Hope.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Regulating the Operation of Motor Boats.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 137, §§ 55 - 57, additional. Chapter 137 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 3 new sections to be numbered 55 to 57, to read as follows:

'Operation of Motorboats.

Sec. 55. Speed prohibited. Whoever operates any watercraft or motorboat, whether propelled by an inboard or outboard motor, upon any of the inland waters of this State or upon any of the offshore waters within the jurisdiction of this State at a speed greater than is reasonable and proper, having due regard for traffic, proximity to wharves, docks, moorings or shores, and for any other conditions then existing, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both.

Sec. 56. Operating to endanger. Whoever operates any watercraft or motorboat, whether propelled by an inboard or outboard motor, upon any of the inland waters of this State or upon any of the offshore waters within the jurisdiction of this State in such a manner as to endanger any person or property shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both.

Sec. 57. Operating recklessly. Whoever operates any watercraft or motorboat, whether propelled by an inboard or outboard motor, upon any of the inland waters of this State or upon any of the offshore waters within the jurisdiction of this State recklessly, or in a wanton manner causing injury to any person or property, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200,

or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months, or by both. Whoever is convicted a 2nd time for a violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both.'