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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Restrict Purse Seining Near Certain Stop Seines.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 4208, additional. Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 4208, to read as follows:

§ 4208. Purse seines not to be set near certain stop seines

It shall be unlawful, from June 1st to September 30th of each year, to fish with, set or assist in setting any purse seine within 1,500 feet of any stop seine which at the time of the act complies with subsection 1.

1. Stop seine requirements. Any commercial fisherman using a stop seine who desires to take advantage of this section must comply with all the provisions of this subsection:

A. The stop seine he is using must include a net intended to be set across the mouth of a cove or arc of a beach;

B. There shall be 4 floating kegs to mark the position of the pocket, said kegs to be marked with the commercial fishing number;

C. He must have a boat capable of housing the crew and nets anchored within 100 feet of said kegs and shall be manned by a crew sufficient to fish the cove from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.

2. Exception. The operator of said stop seine may use a purse seine inside said pocket to remove the fish caught.

3. Penalty. Whoever fishes with, sets or assists in setting any purse seine in violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 for each offense, or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days.