

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 873

S. P. 278

In Senate, February 19, 1969

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. Sent down for concurrence and 1,000 ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Anderson of Hancock.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Closed Season and Minimum Size of Atlantic Salmon.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 3951, amended. Section 3951 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 3951. Closed season

From the 16th day of July to the 31st day of the following March of each year is closed season for **Atlantic** salmon, in all the tidal waters of the State. During the closed season it is unlawful to take or kill **Atlantic** salmon in any manner, except as provided in this section.

1. **Exception for rod and line.** Between the 16th day of July and the 15th day of ~~September~~ **October** of each year, it is lawful to fish for and take salmon by the ordinary mode, with rod and single line, but not otherwise.

2. **Exception for weirs on St. Croix River.** Salmon may be taken in weirs on the St. Croix River below the breakwater at the ledge between the 15th day of May and the 31st day of August of each year.

2-A. **Minimum size.** It is unlawful for any person to take or have in his possession salmon which are less than 14 inches in length.

3. **Penalty.** Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished as provided in section 4504, and by a fine of \$10 for each salmon taken.