

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 137.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND BIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT to amend section one of chapter seventyeight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-six and repeal section three of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter seventy-2 eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and 3 seventy-six is hereby amended by striking out 4 after the word "other" in the thirteenth line the 5 words "and shall determine to allow the same," so 6 that said section when amended shall read as fol-7 lows:

8 Sect. 1. Any person intending to build or ex-9 tend any wharf or fish weir in tide waters within 10 the limits of any town or city may make applica-11 tion in writing to the municipal officers thereof, 12 stating the location, limits and boundaries as near 13 as may be of such intended erection or extension 14 and asking license for the same. Upon receiving 15 such application said officers shall give at least 16 three days public notice thereof, and shall therein 17 designate a day in which they shall meet on or 18 near the premises described and examine the 19 same. If upon such examination and hearing of 20 all parties interested, said officers shall decide that 21 such erection or extension would not be an ob-22 struction to navigation or an injury to the rights 23 of others, they shall issue a license under their 24 hands to the applicant, authorizing him to make 25 said erection or extension and to maintain the 26 same within the limits mentioned in said license.

SECT. 2. In no case shall any fish weirs be 2 erected in tide waters below low water mark in 3 front of the shore or flats of another, without the 4 owner's consent, under a penalty of twenty dollars, 5 to be recovered in an action of debt before any 6 court of competent jurisdiction by the owner of 7 said shore or flats. SECT. 3. Section three of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of eighteen hun-3 dred and seventy-seven is hereby repealed.

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In House of Representatives, February 28, 1883.

Reported by Mr. SPOFFORD, from Committee on Legal Affairs, and ordered printed.

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ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.