

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 493

In House of Representatives, March 3, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Pierce of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

AN ACT to amend Section fifty-six of Chapter two hundred and six of the Public Laws of the State of Maine, for 1913, relating to the registration of guides.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section fifty-six of chapter two hundred and six of the
public laws of the State of Maine for 1913 is hereby amendd by inserting in line eleven of said section after the word
"offense," the following words:

'Before said certificate shall be issued, said applicant shall 6 file with said commissioners a certificate and affidavit signed 7 by the municipal officers (or a majority thereof) of the 8 town or plantation within which the applicant resides, set-

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9 ting forth in substance that the applicant is a person of good 10 moral character and sobriety, and is deemed by them to be 11 a suitable person to receive a certificate as aforesaid.' So 12 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'No person shall engage in the business of guiding, either 14 for inland fishing or forest hunting, in this state, until he 15 has caused his name, age and residence to be recorded in a 16 book kept for that purpose by the commissioners of inland 17 fisheries and game, and has procured a certificate from said 18 commissioners, setting forth in substance that he is deemed 19 suitable to act as a guide, either for inland fishing or forest 20 hunting or both, as the case may be, under a penalty of one 21 hundred dollars and costs for each offense.

'Before said certificate shall be issued, said applicant shall 23 file with said commissioners a certificate and affidavit signed 24 by the municipal officers (or a majority thereof) of the 25 town or plantation within which the applicant resides, set-26 ting forth in substance that the applicant is a person of good 27 moral character and sobriety, and is deemed by them to be 28 a suitable person to receive a certificate as aforesaid.

'Each registered guide shall, from time to time, as often 30 as requested by the commissioners, forward on blanks fur-31 nished him by the commissioners, a statement of the number 32 of persons he has guided in inland fishing and forest hunt-33 ing during the time called for in said statement, the num-34 ber of days he has been employed as a guide, and such other 35 useful information relative to inland fish and game, forest 36 fires, and the preservation of the forests in the localities 37 where he has guided, as the commissioners may deem of 38 importance to the state, under a penalty of fifty dollars for 39 unreasonably or wilfully refusing to comply with these re-40 quirements.'