

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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manufacturer and the secretary of the state board of agriculture in writing thereof; and it shall be the duty of said secretary to immediately institute proceedings against all parties violating this act.

Penalty if secretary of board of agriculture or chemist, fail to perform duties, etc.

SECT. 7. If the secretary of the state board of agriculture, or the chemist making the analysis of fertilizers under this act, shall violate, or knowingly fail to perform his duty as prescribed in section four, or shall collude with any manufacturer of, or agent, or dealer in any fertilizer, to evade the provisions of this act, so as to injure any manufacturer of, or agent, or dealer in any fertilizer, such secretary or chemist shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to a fine of five hundred dollars, to be recovered by any court of competent jurisdiction.

License to be issued by secretary of state.

SECT. 8. The license required by section two shall be issued by the secretary of state.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

SECT. 9. Any act or parts of acts inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1883.

### Chapter 239.

An Act to amend chapter seventy-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-six, relating to fish weirs.

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

Sec. 1, ch. 78, public laws 1876, amended.

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

License to build wharves and fish weirs.

SECT. 1. Any person intending to build or extend any wharf or fish weir in tide waters within the limits of any town or city, may make application in writing to the municipal officers thereof, stating the location, limits and boundaries, as near as may be, of such intended erection or extension,

and asking license for the same. Upon receiving such application, said officers shall give at least three days' public notice thereof, and shall therein designate a day in which they shall meet on or near the premises described and examine the same. If, upon such examination and hearing of all parties interested, said officers shall decide that such erection or extension would not be an obstruction to navigation or an injury to the rights of others, they shall issue a license under their hands to the applicant authorizing him to make said erection or extension, and to maintain the same within the limits mentioned in said license.'

Public notice to be given when application to build, is made.

—when granted.

SECT. 2. In no case shall any fish weirs be erected in tide waters below low water mark in front of the shore or flats of another without the owner's consent, under a penalty of fifty dollars; to be recovered in an action of debt before any court of competent jurisdiction, by the owner of said shore or flats.

Penalty for erecting weir in front of shore of another, without owner's consent.

—how recovered.

SECT. 3. Owners of shores or flats bordering on the sea coast may extend their fish weirs, the materials of which are wholly or partly removed annually, into tide waters below low water mark; *providing*, they do not obstruct navigation nor interfere with the rights of others. The provisions of section thirty-four of chapter forty of the revised statutes, and chapter one hundred and seventy-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, shall not apply to fish weirs built on the shore of the sea coast, nor shall this section apply to the shore and tide waters of rivers.

Owners of shores may extend weir below low water mark.

Proviso.

Certain acts not to apply to weirs on sea coast, etc.

Approved March 15, 1883.

## Chapter 240.

An Act to fix the length of the school week.

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

SECT. 1. Five days shall constitute a school week; and four weeks shall constitute a school month.

School week and month, length of fixed.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1883.