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ONE - HUNDRETH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1054

H. P. 768

House of Representatives, January 31, 1961

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Edwards of Stockton Springs.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT to Prevent Pollution of Halfmoon Pond in Waldo County.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Halfmoon Pond is a source of water supply to the people of Waldo County; and

Whereas, it is imperative that such water supply be protected for the health, safety and well-being of its users; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Drainage. No person or corporation shall use or occupy any structure built upon or near the shores of Halfmoon Pond in the County of Waldo for such purposes or in such manner that the sewage or drainage therefrom shall enter the waters of said pond or pollute the same.

Sec. 2. Discharge. No sewage, drainage, refuse or polluting matter of such kind and amount as either by itself or in connection with other matter will corrupt or impair the quality of the water of said Halfmoon Pond or render it injurious to health, shall be discharged into said pond, but nothing herein shall prohibit the cultivation and use of the soil in the ordinary methods of agricul-

ture if no human excrement is used thereon within 300 feet of the shores of said pond.

Sec. 3. Swimming. No person shall swim in the water of said pond and no person shall operate any boat thereon; and fishing is likewise prohibited in any manner including fishing through the ice thereof and from the shores thereof.

Sec. 4. Penalty. Whoever violates any provisions of this chapter shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$200 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or by both.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.