

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

---

---

ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

---

---

Legislative Document

No. 1469

H. P. 1015

House of Representatives, March 19, 1963

Reported by Mr. Sahagian from Committee on Natural Resources. Printed under Joint Rules No. 10.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

---

---

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

---

**AN ACT Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Permit and Regulate Dredging  
in Great Ponds.**

---

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

**R. S., c. 36, § 12, amended.** Section 12 of chapter 36 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 185 of the public laws of 1957 and by chapter 8 of the public laws of 1961, is further amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 12. Granting rights to cut timber; sell gravel; granting mining rights; leasing camp sites and mill privileges; granting dredging permits; preference to Maine people.** The commissioner, under the direction of the Governor and Council, shall sell at public or private sale and grant rights to cut timber and grass belonging to the State, may sell any gravel existing in the soil of such lands only for the construction of public highways or other public works in the vicinity of the location of the land from which the gravel is taken, **grant permits for dredging in great ponds and for disposal of the materials thereby removed which are not classified as minerals under the mining law, provided that prior to the granting of any permit notice and opportunity for hearing shall be given to any abutting owner and any water company, as defined in chapter 44, section 16, interested or having rights in the affected pond and provided that the commissioner has first consulted with the Maine Mining Bureau, the Water Improvement Commission and the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game, and may lease camp sites, mill privileges, dam sites, flowage rights, the right to set poles and maintain utility service lines and the right to construct and maintain roads, and grant mining rights, after the approval of the Mining Bureau, on lands belonging to the State, on such terms as they direct; and the right to cut timber and grass and lease camp sites, mill privileges, dam sites, flowage rights, the right to set**

poles and maintain utility service lines and the right to construct and maintain roads, and grant mining rights, after the approval of the Mining Bureau, on public reserved lots in any township or tract of land until the same is incorporated, on such terms as they direct. Preference in such sales or leases shall be given to persons, firms or corporations of this State.'