

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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AN ACT Relating to Taking of Alewives in Tremont, Hancock County.

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

**P. & S. L., 1959, c. 155, § 44-A, additional.** Chapter 155 of the private and special laws of 1959, is amended by adding a new section 44-A, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 44-A. Taking of alewives in Tremont. Exclusive rights to the taking of alewives from all the waters in the Town of Tremont, Hancock County, shall be optional with the town.

The town, at its annual meeting, may determine by vote whether the alewife fishing in these waters shall be operated by the town, through its selectmen or a committee appointed for that purpose, or the privilege offered for sale by the said selectmen or committee; and may provide for regulations, compatible with good conservation practices, to govern the times when and the manner in which alewives shall be taken therein. There shall be a minimum 24-hour weekly closed season on alewives in all such waters from sunrise on each Saturday morning until sunrise on the following Sunday morning; and the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries shall establish the numbers of alewives that may be taken and the means of taking said alewives.

Whenever such regulations are thus provided for, they shall be promulgated by the selectmen of the Town of Tremont and a copy of the same filed immediately with the clerk of said town and the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries.

If in any year said town shall fail to act as provided for, the taking of alewives in said waters shall be in accordance with the provisions of the general

laws of the State and any regulations adopted under authority of this section shall be enforced by the municipal officers of the Town of Tremont.

If, after thorough investigation, it is the opinion of the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries that the town is not following sound conservation principles in its management of the fishery, said commissioner shall notify the town officials of his findings and they shall take immediate corrective measures to prevent destruction of the fishery.'