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No. 371

H. P. 295

House of Representatives, January 23, 1969

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Clark of Jefferson.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Taking of Alewives in Damariscotta River.

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

Whereas, fishing is one of Maine's greatest natural resources; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to prevent the fishing for alewives in a certain portion of the Damariscotta River; 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:

P. & S. L., 1959, c. 155, § 64, repealed and replaced. Section 64 of chapter 155 of the private and special laws of 1959 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Sec. 64. Taking of alewives in Damariscotta River. It shall be unlawful to construct, set, maintain or use any net, weir, seine or other device, in the waters of the Damariscotta River, northerly of the bridge between the Villages of Newcastle and Damariscotta, for the purpose of taking or catching alewives. No one shall fish, disturb or molest the alewives in any way, west of the railroad bridge, from April 20th to June 15th. Nothing herein shall be construed to abridge nor affect in any manner the rights and privileges now

held by law by the Towns of Newcastle and Nobleboro in the alewife fishery in the said Damariscotta River.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency set forth in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.