

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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AN ACT Pertaining to Live Bait Dealers.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 2558, amended.** The first sentence of the 3rd paragraph of section 2558 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 24 of chapter 448 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

All persons dealing in live bait shall be licensed to do so by the commissioner, and the fee therefor shall be ~~\$10~~ **\$50 for a license that allows that person to fish smelts through the ice, from sunset to sunrise, to be fished for with dip nets, drop nets or hook and line, for each calendar year, in waters specified by the commissioner. Persons holding the license under this section may catch bait fish for resale only.**

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2558, amended.** The 4th paragraph of section 2558 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Persons having a bait dealer's license under this section may take smelts in accordance with section 2704, and a licensed bait dealer may possess more than ~~4~~ **8** quarts of bait at any time providing the taking was legal.

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 12, § 2704, amended.** Section 2704 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

**§ 2704. Smelts; daily limit**

Smelts may be taken by the use of a dip net in the usual and ordinary way. No person shall take, kill, catch or have in possession more than 4 quarts of

smelts in any one day, except that a licensed bait dealer may take 8 quarts of smelts in any one day and may possess more than 8 quarts providing the taking is legal.