

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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AN ACT Relating to Open Season for Fishing.

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

R. S., T. 12, § 2552, sub-§§ 1-4, amended. Subsections 1 to 4 of section 2552 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, are further amended to read as follows:

1. All fish in lakes and ponds. The open season for all fish ~~except black bass~~ in waters or portions of waters naturally free of ice in lakes and ponds, shall be from April ~~1st~~ 15th to September 30th.

2. ~~Black bass in lakes, ponds and rivers. There shall be an open season for black bass in lakes and ponds from June 21st to September 30th; in rivers above tidewater from June 21st to September 15th; in brooks and streams from June 21st to August 15. Three black bass per day on single pointed hooked artificial lures only may be taken from June 1st to June 20th and no person shall have in his possession at any one time more than 3 black bass during this period.~~

3. All fish in rivers, brooks and streams. There shall be an open season for all fish ~~except black bass~~ in all the rivers, brooks and streams above tide-water in waters free of ice from April ~~1st~~ 15th to September 15th, except that portion of Fish River between Fish River Lake and Round Pond in T. 14, R. 8, Aroostook County, which shall be open to fishing until September 30th.

4. ~~All fish except black bass in brooks and streams. There shall be an open season for all fish except black bass in brooks and streams in waters free of ice from April 1st to August 15th, except in Aroostook County the open season shall be from May 1st to August 15th.~~

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of the bill is to shorten the open season for fishing in the interest of conservation.