

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 528

S. P. 176

In Senate, February 3, 1971

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Moore of Cumberland.

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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 Ice Fishing in the Allagash Waterway.

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

**R. S., T. 12, § 2651, amended.** The first paragraph and the 2nd paragraph, as amended, of section 2651 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, are further amended to read as follows:

All inland waters of the State are closed to ice fishing, except those which have been opened to fishing through the ice by rule and regulation of the commissioner. A person legally licensed may fish through the ice in the daytime with not more than 5 lines, set or otherwise, **except that it shall be lawful to use no more than 2 lines, set or otherwise, in the Allagash Waterway,** which shall be under the immediate supervision of such person, in any waters which have been opened to ice fishing by the commissioner.

It shall be lawful to fish in the nighttime by using not more than 5 lines set or otherwise, **except that it shall be lawful to use no more than 2 lines, set or otherwise, in the Allagash Waterway,** for cusk in the waters which have been opened to ice fishing by the commissioner. All lines set for cusk in the nighttime must be visited at least once in every hour by the person setting the same. The commissioner may open other waters for fishing for cusk in the nighttime.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to regulate ice fishing in the Allagash Waterway due to the increased number of fishermen.