

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 2385**

S. P. 844

In Senate, January 18, 1974

Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Fortier of Oxford.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FOUR

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**AN ACT Prohibiting Swimming or Bathing in Mt. Zircon Reservoir,  
Blanchard Reservoir and the Distribution or Pettengill Reservoir,  
all in Rumford, Oxford County.**

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

Whereas, swimming in the above-named reservoirs could create a health hazard to the Inhabitants of the Town of Rumford whose drinking water is supplied from these reservoirs; 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:

**Mt. Zircon Reservoir, Blanchard Reservoir and the Distribution or Pettengill Reservoir; swimming or bathing prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to swim or bathe in Mt. Zircon Reservoir, Blanchard Reservoir, or in the Distribution or Pettengill Reservoir, all in the Town of Rumford, Oxford County. Any person found violating any provisions of this law shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50, which fine, when collected by the District Court having jurisdiction of any such violation, shall be paid to the Rumford Water District.

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

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.