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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 736

House of Representatives, March 2, 1979

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. D. Brown of Livermore Falls.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Remove Weight Restrictions on Black Bass.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 2552, sub-§ 1-A, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 269, § 2, is amended to read:

1-A. Black bass. There shall be an open season for black bass in waters free of ice in lakes, ponds, rivers above tidewater, brooks and streams from April 1st to June 20th. Three black bass per day on artificial lures only may be taken during this open season and no person shall have in his possession at any one time during this open season more than 3 black bass ~~or 7 1/2 pounds in the aggregate~~. Black bass may be taken under the provisions of subsections 1, 3 and 4 after June 20th.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 2553, 3rd ¶, is amended to read:

No person shall take, catch or kill in any one day or have in possession at any time more than 7 1/2 pounds in the aggregate of the trout, salmon ~~toque and black bass and toque~~ species unless the last fish caught increases the combined weight to more than 7 1/2 pounds.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA § 2553, 4th ¶, as amended by PL 1971, c. 4, is further amended to read:

In waters open to ice fishing, no person shall take, catch or kill in any one day or

have in possession at any time more than 7 1/2 pounds in the aggregate of the trout, salmon ~~togue and black bass~~ **and togue** species, unless the last fish caught increases the combined weight to more than 7 1/2 pounds.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA § 2554-A, sub-§ 4, as enacted by PL 1967, c. 246, is amended to read:

4. Daily bag and possession limit. No person shall take in any one day nor possess more than 15 fish in the aggregate or 7 1/2 pounds of landlocked salmon, ~~togue trout and bass~~ **and trout**.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill removes statutory weight restrictions on the taking of black bass.