

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 183.

Senate and House Amendments to House Document No. 107,
entitled "An Act to regulate and protect fisheries and the
propagation of fish."

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A."

Amend section one, by striking out the word "pre-
ceding" in the fifth line, and the word "and" in the
sixth line.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B."

To amend by inserting after the word "river" in the
seventh line of the thirteenth section, the words "and
bay."

SENATE AMENDMENT 1.

Amend section thirteen, by inserting after the word
"excepting," in the sixth line, as follows: "on the
Saint Croix river and its tributaries, on which the
close-time shall be from the fifteenth day of Septem-
ber to the first day of February following; and" so
that section thirteen as amended shall read as follows:
Sect. 13. There shall be an annual close-time for
land-locked salmon, commonly so-called, trout, togue,
black bass, Oswego bass, and white perch, in the
waters of this state, as follows, viz: For land-locked

11 salmon, trout and togue, from the twenty-first day of
12 September to the first day of May following; except-
13 ing on the Saint Croix river and its tributaries, on
14 which the close-time shall be from the fifteenth day of
15 September to the first day of February following; and
16 on Moosehead lake and the ponds and lakes tributary
17 to the Penobscot river and bay, and all waters east of
18 the Penobscot not otherwise specified, on which the
19 close-time shall be from the first day of October to the
20 first day of January following; and for black bass,
21 Oswego bass, and white perch, from the first day of
22 April to the first day of July following.

SENATE AMENDMENT 2.

Amend section thirteen, by striking out the words
2 “cast thereof” in the eighth line, and inserting in-
3 stead thereof the words, “all waters east of the Penob-
4 scot river not otherwise specified.”

SENATE AMENDMENT 3.

Amend section twenty-three, by adding as follows:
2 “But the provisions of this section shall not apply to
3 cases in which the parent fish are taken in the manner
4 and at the time and place, permitted by law for the
5 capture of such fish for food; nor shall it apply to any
6 operations in fish-culture conducted for public pur-
7 poses by permission of the commissioners of fisheries
8 of this state, who may affix such conditions to their

9 permits as they may see fit," so that said section, as
10 amended, shall read as follows, viz :

11 *Sect.* 23. Any person engaged in the artificial
12 propagation of fish known as trout, fresh and salt
13 water salmon, on any water in this state when the
14 parent fish are taken from public waters in this state,
15 shall retain not less than twenty-five per cent. of all
16 eggs taken from said parent fish, and cause the same
17 to be properly cared for and hatched, and when
18 hatched and in proper condition, to be returned to a
19 suitable place for such young fish, in the original
20 waters from which the parent fish were taken, and to
21 cause said parent fish to be returned to safe locations
22 in the waters from which they were taken, under a
23 penalty of not less than fifty nor more than five hun-
24 dred dollars for each offence. But the provisions of
25 this section shall not apply to cases in which the
26 parent fish are taken in the manner and at the time
27 and place permitted by law for the capture of such
28 fish for food ; nor shall it apply to any operations in
29 fish-culture conducted for public purposes by permis-
30 sion of the commissioners of fisheries of this state, who
31 may affix such conditions to their permits as they may
32 see fit.

SENATE AMENDMENT 4.

Amend by adding the following section :

2 *Sect.* 29. This act shall take effect when approved.

SENATE AMENDMENT 5.

To amend section twenty-five, by inserting after the
 2 word “constables,” in the ninth line, the words “ fish
 3 wardens, deputy fish wardens.” As thus amended,
 4 the last clause in the section will read as follows :

5 “ Said sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, fish war-
 6 dens, deputy fish wardens, and police officers, shall be
 7 allowed for said services the same fees as are now pre-
 8 scribed by law for sheriffs and their deputies.”

SENATE AMENDMENT 6.

To amend section sixteen by adding after the word
 2, “homes” in the eleventh line, the words “in this
 3 state.” As thus amended the conclusion of the sec-
 4 tion will read as follows :

5 *Provided, however,* that persons having fish legally
 6 in their possession under the provisions of section thir-
 7 teen, may convey them to their own homes in this
 8 state, but not otherwise.

SENATE AMENDMENT 7.

Amend sections sixteen and seventeen, by inserting
 2 after the words “ May following,” in the fifth and
 3 ninth lines, respectively, the words “ with the excep-
 4 tion as provided in section thirteen of this act.”

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
 February 16, 1878. }

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Bath, House and Senate amend-
 ments to House Document No. 107, ordered printed.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.