

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 33.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
SEVENTY-EIGHT.

[H. R. 100] AN ACT for the protection and preservation of bass in the waters of Winnegance creek.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. For the period of three years from the
2 first day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight,
3 no bass shall be taken, except by hook and line, in the
4 waters of Winnegance creek, above the Winnegance
5 mill dam, under a penalty of not less than ten dollars
6 nor more than fifty dollars, for each offence, and a
7 further fine of five dollars for each bass taken.

SECT. 2. After the expiration of three years from
2 the first day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-
3 eight, it shall be lawful for any person to take bass
4 in the said waters by net during the months of Janu-

5 ary and February only in each year ; *provided* that no
6 person shall use more than one net at a time, and that
7 no net shall be used exceeding twenty fathoms in
8 length, and of less than five inches mesh. Any person
9 violating any of the provisions of this section, shall be
10 subject to a penalty of not less than ten nor more than
11 fifty dollars, for each offence, and a further penalty of
12 five dollars for each bass so taken.

SECT. 3. After the first day of April, eighteen hun-
2 dred and seventy-eight, no nets shall be set in the
3 flood gates of the Winnegance mill dam, under a pen-
4 alty of not less than twenty nor more than one hundred
5 dollars, for each offence.

SECT. 4. All forfeitures and penalties arising by
2 force of this act, may be enforced by complaint, or by
3 an action of debt, in any court proper to try the same,
4 one-half of which shall be for the benefit of the party
5 prosecuting or making complaint, and the other half to
6 the town or city in which the proceedings are com-
7 menced and prosecuted.

SECT. 5. Chapter four hundred and seventy-two of
2 the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-five,
3 so far as the same relates to bass, is hereby repealed.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 5, 1878.

Read twice, and pending its passage to be engrossed, on motion
of Mr. PHILLIPS of Penobscot, laid on the table to be printed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*