

# FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 63.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter seventy-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, relating to the protection of fisheries and the propagation of fish.

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

SECTION 1. Section thirteen of chapter seventy-2 five of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred 3 and seventy-eight, is hereby amended so as to read 4 as follows:

5 Sect. 13. There shall be an annual close-time 6 for land-locked salmon, commonly so called, trout, 7 togue, black bass, Oswego bass and white perch, 8 in the waters of this state, as follows, viz: For 9 land-locked salmon, trout and togue, from the first

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10 day of October to the first day of May following,
11 excepting on the St. Croix river and its tributaries,
12 in which the close-time shall be from the fifteenth
13 day of September to the first day of May following;
14 and for black bass, Oswego bass and white perch,
15 from the first day of April to the first day of July
16 following.

SECT. 2. Section fifteen of said chapter is hereby 2 amended so as to read as follows:

3 Sect. 15. No person shall take, catch, kill or 4 fish for in any manner, any land-locked salmon, 5 trout or togue, in any of the waters aforesaid, 6 between the said first day of October and the first 7 day of May following, nor in the St. Croix river 8 and its tributaries, between the fifteenth day of 9 September and the first day of May following, or 10 black bass, Oswego bass, or white perch, between 11 the first day of April and the first day of July fol-12 lowing, under a penalty of not less than ten dollars 13 nor more than thirty dollars, and a further fine of 14 one dollar for each fish thus caught, taken or killed, 15 as aforesaid.

SECT. 3. Section sixteen of said chapter is hereby 2 amended so as to read as follows:

3 Sect. 16. No person shall sell, expose for 4 sale, or have in possession with intent to sell, or

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5 transport from place to place in this state, any 6 land-locked salmon, trout or togue, between the 7 first day of October and the first day of May fol-8 lowing, or any black bass, Oswego bass or white 9 perch, between the first day of April and the first 10 day of July following, under a penalty of not less 11 than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each 12 offence.

SECT. 4. Section seventeen of said chapter is 2 hereby amended so as to read as follows:

3 Any person or persons having in pos-Sect. 17. 4 session, except alive, any land-locked salmon, trout 5 or togue, between the first day of October and the 6 first day of May following, or any black bass, 7 Oswego bass, or white perch, between the first day 8 April and the first day of July following, or who 9 shall transport from place to within this state, any 10 land-locked salmon, trout or togue, between the 11 first day of October and the first day of May fol-12 lowing, or black bass, Oswego bass or white perch, 13 between the first day of April and the first day of 14 July following, shall be deemed to have killed, 15 caught, or transported the same contrary to law, 16 and be liable to the penalties aforesaid.

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B. L. STAPLES, Clerk.