

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 36.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to wharves and landings.

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

SECTION 1. Persons or corporations engaged in 2 the regular transportation of passengers by water, 3 who have constructed, purchased or leased a slip, 4 wharf, or other landing place, for the convenient 5 landing and receiving of their passengers, shall 6 have the exclusive control of such slip, wharf or 7 other landing place, with full power to fix the rates 8 of toll at which other carriers of passengers may 9 make use of the same, or to wholly prohibit the 10 use thereof by such other carriers.

SECT. 2. When owners or lessees of such slips, 2 wharves or landing places, used by themselves for

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3 passenger business, desire to exclude other carriers
4 from the use of the same, they shall give notice
5 thereof by suitable sign, placed so as to be con6 spicuous to persons approaching by water. Any
7 person convicted of wilfully removing or destroy8 ing such sign shall be fined twenty dollars.

SECT. 3. Any regular carrier of passengers, who 2 in disregard of notice given in accordance with the 3 provisions of this act, wilfully makes use of pro-4 hibited premises for landing his passengers, shall 5 forfeit to the owner or lessee for each such wilful 6 act, the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered in an 7 action of the case; and may be summarily restrained 8 from further offending by injunction.

SECT. 4. The judges of the supreme judicial 2 court, in term time or in vacation, on complaint of 3 the violation of the preceding section, shall issue 4 his injunction restraining a repetition of the offence.

SECT. 5. All boats, steamers and other craft, 2 used in violation of the provisions of this act, may 3 be attached and held as security for the payment 4 of all penalties and costs incurred by the owners, 5 charterers or officers.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect from and after 2 its approval.

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IN SENATE, February 7, 1879.

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Reported by Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, and laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.

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