

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 10.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter eighty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred seventy-nine, relating to river fisheries.

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

Section one of chapter eighty-four of the laws of 2 eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, is hereby 3 amended by striking out the word "fifteenth" in 4 said section and inserting the words "twenty-fifth" 5 instead thereof, so that said section as amended 6 shall read as follows:

7 *Sect. 1.* The limit of depth prescribed for 8 weirs in section thirty-four of chapter forty of the 9 revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy- 10 one, shall be measured at the entrance of the weir;

11 *provided*, that no part of such weir known as the
12 leader, shall be in more than two feet depth of
13 water at low water mark. Weirs may exceed the
14 limit of two feet depth measured as aforesaid,
15 under the following conditions, namely: First,
16 the distance from the before mentioned two feet
17 limit of depth to the entrance of such weir, shall
18 not exceed one hundred feet. Second, no such
19 weir shall obstruct more than one-eighth part of
20 the width of the channel. Third, every such weir
21 shall be stripped so as to render it incapable of
22 taking fish on and after the twenty-fifth day of
23 June annually; these conditions to apply only to
24 weirs that exceed the aforesaid limit of depth.
25 The standard for low water mark on the Kennebec
26 river shall in all cases be the nearest bench mark
27 of the United States coast survey, allowance being
28 made at the various points for the difference in
29 time.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 6, 1880. }

Reported from the Committee on Fisheries, by Mr. GILMAN of
Meddybemps, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*