

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 108.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT for the protection of smelts in Pleasant river  
in the county of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. It shall not be lawful to obstruct in  
2 any way, by any net, seine, weir, or other contriv-  
3 ance for taking smelts, more than one-eighth part  
4 of the channel from either shore of Pleasant river,  
5 in the county of Washington, under a penalty of  
6 not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dol-  
7 lars for each offense, to be recovered before any  
8 competent tribunal, by complaint, indictment or  
9 action of debt. One-half of said penalty shall be  
10 for the party prosecuting or making complaint, and  
11 the other half to said county. *Provided*, that noth-

12 ing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit  
13 the taking of smelts in said river by a common dip-  
14 net or by hook and line.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
March 5, 1880. }

Reported by Mr. MAXEY from Committee on Fisheries and  
Game. Ordered printed on motion pending third reading.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*