

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 240.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to protect Waters used for Domestic Purposes.

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

SECTION 1. Whoever, knowingly and wilfully poisons,
2 defiles, or in any way corrupts the waters of any well,
3 spring, brook, lake, pond, river or reservoir, used
4 for domestic purposes for man or beast, or knowingly
5 corrupts the sources of the water supply of any water
6 company, or of any city or town, supplying its inhabi-
7 tants with water, or the tributaries of said sources of sup-
8 ply in such manner as to affect the purity of the water so
9 supplied, or knowingly defiles such water in any manner,
10 whether the same be frozen or not, or puts the carcass of

11 any dead animal or other offensive material into said
12 waters, or upon the ice thereof, shall be punished by a
13 fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprison-
14 ment not exceeding one year.

SECT. 2. Whoever shall wilfully injure any of the
2 property of any water company or of any city or town used
3 by it in supplying water to its inhabitants shall be punished
4 by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by im-
5 prisonment not exceeding one year; and such person shall
6 also forfeit and pay to such water company, city or town
7 three times the amount of actual damages sustained, to be
8 recovered in an action of the case.

SECT. 3. The provisions of all general laws, and of all
2 special acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.



STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 12, 1891. }

Reported by Mr. PEAKS of Dover, from Committee on Judiciary,
and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*