

Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

No. 213.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the Artificial Propagation of Lobsters and other Fish.

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

SECTION 1. As soon as practicable after the passage of 2 this act, the governor with the advice and consent of the 3 council shall appoint a commission, consisting of three citi-4 zens of this State who shall have a practical knowledge of 5 the fisheries, whose duty it shall be to investigate all the 6 details, plans and estimates relating to a lobster hatchery, 7 and report their doings thereon to the governor and coun-8 cil on or before July first, eighteen hundred and ninety-9 three.

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SECT. 2. If such report shall be satisfactory, then the
2 governor and council are hereby authorized to instruct said
3 commission to locate, erect or lease, and maintain suitable
4 buildings and appliances for a hatching establishment.

SECT. 3. Said commission is hereby authorized to attend 2 to all the details of carrying on the establishment and of 3 hatching and planting lobsters, subject to rules prescribed 4 by the governor and council, and to hold office during their 5 pleasure, and at a salary to be fixed by the governor and 6 council.

SECT. 4. The said commission is hereby authorized to
2 take, purchase and retain in their possession, any female
3 lobsters in spawn for the purpose of artificial propagation
4 authorized under this act.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

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House of Representatives, February 27, 1893.

Reported by Mr. MADDOCKS of Boothbay Harbor, from Committee on Shore Fisheries, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.