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## Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 290.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to prevent the destruction of smelts in the Georges river and its tributaries.

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

Section 1. All persons are hereby prohibited from

- 2 taking any smelts from the Georges river or its tributaries,
- 8 in the county of Knox, by means of weirs, drag nets, traps,
- 4 or other contrivances than hook and line.

SECT. 2. Whoever shall violate the provisions of this

- 2 act, shall on conviction of the same, before any munici-
- 3 pal court, or trial justice of said county of Knox, be
- 4 punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars, nor more
- 5 than twenty dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail
- 6 for a term not less than ten days, and imprisoned in said

- 7 jail for same time for non-payment of said fine. And all
- 8 boats, nets, or implements of any kind, used in taking
- 9 smelts contrary to the provisions of this act, shall be
- 10 deemed forfeit and contraband, and sold upon judgment
- 11 of the tribunal having jurisdiction of offences committed
- 12 against the provisions of this chapter.
  - SECT. 3. All fines and proceeds of forfeiture sold,
- 2 under the second section of this act, shall be divided as
- 3 follows: one-half to the complainant and one-half to the
- 4 use of the State.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 9, 1893.

Reported by Mr. LAWRENCE of Lubec, from Committee on Shore Fisheries, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.