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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE. No. 354.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act for the protection of Salmon and Alewives in Pleasant River, Washington county."

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

SECTION 1. Section five of chapter two hundred and 2 sixty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen 3 hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended by striking 4 out the word "May" in the sixth line thereof and inserting 5 in place thereof the word 'April', so that said section as 6 amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 5. There shall be good and sufficient fishway 8 for the passage of salmon and alewives, made over or 9 around every dam, in or across said river or any of its 10 branches where said fish have usually passed, by the own11 ers or occupants of said dams; and said fishways shall be
12 kept open at all times between the fifteenth day of April
13 and the fifteenth day of September in each year; and any
14 owner or occupant of such dam, who shall neglect or
15 refuse to make and keep open such fishway after ten days
16 notice in writing by said committee, shall forfeit a sum
17 not less than one hundred dollars for every offense.'

SECT. 2. Section eight of said chapter is hereby 2 amended by striking out the words "within a line three 3 rods below the lower roll dam, and a line one rod above 4 the Harris dam," in the second and third lines thereof, 5 and inserting in place thereof the words on said river, 6 except below a line three rods below the lower dam at 7 Columbia Falls,' so that said section as amended, shall 8 read as follows:

'Section 8. No person shall take fish of either of the 10 kinds aforesaid, on said river, except below a line three 11 rods below the lower dam at Columbia Falls on said river, 12 unless permitted to do so by the fish committee, for the 13 propagation of said fish, under a penalty of not less than 14 two or more than twenty dollars.'

SECT. 3. Section ten of said chapter is hereby amended 2 by adding at the end thereof the following words: 'And 3 any person taking fish of either of the kinds aforesaid, 4 from said river, between the fifteenth day of September 5 and the fifteenth day of April following, of each year, 6 shall forfeit ten dollars for each and every offense,' so that 7 said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 10. The inhabitants of every town and plan-9 tation through which said river passes, are empowered, 10 at any legal meeting, by their vote, to prohibit all persons 11 other than inhabitants and residents of the same, from 12 taking any of the fish aforesaid, within limits of such 13 town or plantation, and any person who shall take said 14 fish contrary to such vote, shall forfeit ten dollars for each 15 and every offense; and any person taking fish of either ot 16 the kinds aforesaid, from said river, between the fifteenth 17 day of September and the fifteenth day of April following, 18 of each year, shall forfeit ten dollars for each and every 19 offense.'

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 13, 1895.

Reported by Mr. BARTON of Bradley, from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.