

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 330

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section thirty-five of Chapter 285, Public
Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to revise and consolidate the
Public Laws relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries."

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

Section 1. Amend section thirty-five by inserting after the
2 word "channel" in the ninth line the following: 'Except in
3 the Cathance, Eastern, and Abbagadaset rivers, such weirs
4 may extend twenty-five feet beyond the one-eighth aforesaid,
5 provided such extension shall not exceed one-fourth of the
6 width of the channel in the Abbagadaset and Eastern rivers.'
7 Strike out the words "on and after the twenty-fifth day of
8 June," in the eleventh line and insert the following, 'between

9 the twenty-fifth day of June and the fifteenth day of August
10 of each year,' so that the section as amended, shall read as
11 follows:

12 'Sect. 35. The limit of depth prescribed for weirs in the
13 preceding section shall be measured at the entrance of the
14 weir, provided that no part of the weir known as the leader,
15 is in more than two feet of water at low water mark. Weirs
16 may exceed the limit of two feet depth, measured as aforesaid
17 under the following conditions: first, the distance from the
18 before mentioned two feet limit, to the entrance of such weir,
19 shall not exceed one hundred feet; second, no such weir shall
20 obstruct more than one-eighth of the channel, except in the
21 Cathance, Abbagadaset and Eastern rivers, such weirs may
22 extend twenty-five feet beyond the one-eighth aforesaid,
23 provided such extension shall not exceed one-fourth of the
24 width of the channel in the Abbagadaset and Eastern rivers;
25 third, every such weir shall be stripped so as to render it in-
26 capable of taking fish between the twenty-fifth day of June
27 and the fifteenth day of August of each year, but these con-
28 ditions apply only to weirs that exceed the aforesaid limit of
29 depth. The standard for low water mark on the Kennebec
30 river, is in all cases the nearest bench mark of the United
31 States coast survey, allowance being made at the various
32 points for the difference in time. The provisions of this and
33 the preceding sections do not apply to weirs built on the sea
34 shores.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 10, 1899.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*