

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 223

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT to correct clerical errors and make plain the meaning of and amend chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and as amended by chapters 222 and 278 of the Public Laws of 1901, and chapter 326 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, and acts reported from the committee on inland fisheries and game relating to inland fisheries and game.

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

Section 1. Section 5 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, 2 as amended by chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, is 3 hereby amended in the first fourteen lines of the same as fol- 4 lows: By inserting the word 'land' before the word "locked" 5 in the third line of said section, and by inserting the words 6 'or have the same in possession' after the word "state" in the

7 fourteenth line of said section, so that the first fourteen lines
8 of said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 5. There shall be an annual close time for landlocked
10 salmon, trout, togue and white perch, as follows: for land-
11 locked salmon, trout and togue, from the first day of October
12 until the ice is out of the pond, lake or river fished in the
13 following spring of each year, except on the St. Croix river
14 and its tributaries, and on all the waters of Kennebec county,
15 in which the close time shall be from the fifteenth day of
16 September until the ice is out of the ponds and lakes the
17 following spring, and in Franklin county in which the close
18 time shall be from the first day of October till May first; but
19 for white perch, the close time shall be from the first day of
20 April to the first day of July; no person shall take, catch, kill
21 or fish for in any manner any landlocked salmon, trout, togue
22 or white perch in any of the waters of this State or have the
23 same in possession, in close time.’

Sect. 2. So much of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes,
2 as amended by chapter 42, section 5, of the Public Laws of
3 1899, as closes Greely brook and tributaries, situated partly
4 in the towns of Oxford and Norway in the county of Oxford
5 and in the town of Otisfield in the county of Cumberland, is
6 hereby repealed.

Sect. 3. Section 22 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes,
2 as amended by chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and
3 as amended by chapter 222 of the Public Laws of 1901, is
4 hereby amended so as to read as follows:

‘Sect. 22. The words “close season” and “close time” where
6 used in this act, shall mean the time or period during which
7 by this act it is made unlawful to hunt, shoot, wound, trap,
8 or destroy any bird or animal, or fish for, or catch any fish
9 mentioned or referred to in this act, and the words “open
10 season” where used in this act, shall mean the time or period
11 during which it shall be lawful to take these animals, fish and

12 birds as specified and limited. Any person may, at any time,
13 lawfully kill any dog which hunts or chases a moose, caribou
14 or deer, or any dog kept or used for that purpose. Any
•15 person owning or having in his possession any dog for the
16 purpose of hunting or chasing moose, caribou or deer, or who
17 permits any dog owned by him or in his possession to hunt or
18 chase caribou, deer or moose, after notice that such dog has
19 chased moose, caribou or deer, shall be punished by a fine of
20 one hundred dollars and costs of prosecution for each offense.
21 Sunday is a close time, on which it is not lawful to hunt, kill
22 or destroy game or birds of any kind, under the penalties
23 imposed therefor during other close time; but the penalties
24 already imposed for the violation of the Sunday laws by the
25 Statutes of this State are not hereby repealed or diminished.'

Sect. 4. Section 21 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes,
2 as amended by chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and
3 as amended by chapter 278 of the Public Laws of 1901, is
4 hereby amended as follows: by striking out all of said sec-
5 tion between the word "November" in the sixth line of said
6 section and the word "any" in the thirteenth line of said sec-
7 tion, and inserting instead thereof the words, 'and no regis-
8 tered guide shall guide at the same time, or be employed by
9 at the same time, more than five non-residents for hunting,'
10 so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 21. It shall be unlawful for non-residents of the
12 State to enter upon the wild lands of the State with intent to
13 camp and kindle fires thereon, while engaged in hunting or
14 fishing, without being in charge of a registered guide during
15 the months of May, June, July, August, September, October,
16 and November; and no registered guide shall guide at the
17 same time, or be employed by at the same time, more than
18 five non-residents for hunting. Any such non-resident who
19 shall take, catch, or kill any deer, or enter upon the wild lands

20 in this State, with intent to camp, and kindle fires thereon,
21 while engaged in hunting or fishing, without being in charge
22 of a registered guide, during the months of May, June, July,
23 August, September, October and November, in violation of
24 the provisions herein contained, shall be fined forty dollars
25 and costs of prosecution for each offense and be subject to
26 imprisonment thirty days.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 17, 1903.

Presented by Mr. STAPLES of Cumberland, and pending reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, laid on the table to be printed, on motion by Mr. CLARK of Hancock.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*