

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 327

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT against the wilful destruction of fish in the bays,
harbors or rivers of this State.

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

Section 1. It shall be unlawful to cast or deposit upon the
2 shores, or release and deposit in the bays, harbors or rivers
3 of this State any dead fish, or fish that have been smothered
4 or injured so that they will die.

Sect. 2. All persons wilfully violating the provisions of
2 this act, or aiding therein, shall be liable to a penalty of one
3 hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty
4 days, or both, as the court before which the complaint or
5 indictment for the violation of the preceding section may be
6 instituted, shall determine.

Sect. 3. The penalty provided for by the preceding section 2 may be recovered in the county where the offense is committed, by complaint, indictment, or action of debt brought 3 in the name of the person making the complaint; and all 4 fines and penalties recovered by this act shall go, one-half to 5 the person making the complaint, and the other half to the 6 treasurer of the county in which the proceedings are commenced, and by said treasurer paid to the State treasurer to 7 be added to, and made a part of, the appropriation for sea 8 and shore fisheries. 9 10

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Augusta, March 2, 1905.

Reported by Mr. BALDWIN from Committee on Shore Fisheries and
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*