## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### NEW DRAFT.

# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 498

### STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to prohibit the taking of lobsters in Hancock County.

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

Section 1. No person shall take, catch, kill, destroy or

2 fish for any lobster or lobsters, or set or transport lobster-

3 traps or lobsters between the first day of January and the

4 sixteenth day of April in each and every year in any of the

5 waters within three nautical miles of the mainland or islands

6 in or adjacent to Hancock county and included within the

7 following described limits: Bounded on the west by a line

8 beginning at the southwest point of Cape Rozier in the

9 town of Brooksville and running thence to Eagle Island

10 Light, thence to Saddleback Ledge Light and thence to the

- 11 eastern point of Seal Island and bounded on the east by a
  12 line beginning at Bean's Point in the town of Sorrento and
  13 running thence to the western point of Long Porcupine
  14 Island, thence to Egg Rock Light House in Frenchman's
  15 Bay and thence running due south.
  - Sect. 2. Any person violating the provisions of the fore2 going section shall be punished by a fine of five dollars for
    3 each and every lobster so taken, caught, killed, destroyed
    4 or transported, and a like amount for each and every lobster5 trap so set or transported, and a forfeiture of all traps so
    6 set or transported. Trial justices and judges of police and
    7 municipal courts shall have jurisdiction of all offences under
    8 this act.
  - Sect. 3. All fines and penalties arising from a violation 2 of this act, may be recovered by an action of debt in the 3 name of any person who shall sue for the same; one moiety 4 thereof to the use of such person, and the other moiety there-5 of to the use of the town in which he resides.
  - Sect. 4. This act shall in no way apply to the transporting 2 of lobsters which are in the wells of smacks regularly 3 engaged in the transporting of live lobsters in their wells 4 or the taking or transporting of lobsters from cars or pounds 5 in which said lobsters have been placed during the open 6 season or in any way apply to the transportation of lobsters 7 from port to port in this state or from ports in this state to 8 ports in other states.
  - Sect. 5. This act shall take effect January first, nineteen 2 hundred and eight.

#### STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, Augusta, March 12, 1907.

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

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.