

# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

### HOUSE.

No. 554

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section 1 of Chapter 405 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, relating to the taking of herring.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter four hundred and five 2 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901 is hereby amended 3 by striking out from line sixth of said section the following 4 words: "and nets used by net herring fishermen," and insert-5 ing in place thereof the following: 'and nets used by fisher-6 men for the purpose of catching bait only, such bait to be 7 used for lines, trawls and lobster fishing, but not to be used 8 for barrelling purposes,' so that said section as amended 9 shall read as follows:

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'Sect. 1. The taking of herring, or fishing therefor, by the II use of torch or torches of any kind, purse or drag seines or 12 nets, except seines or nets used only for seining pounds or 13 pockets of weirs by owners of weirs or their orders, and nets 14 used by fishermen for the purpose of catching bait only, such 15 bait to be used for lines, trawls and lobster fishing, but not 16 to be used for barrelling purposes, such nets to be not less 17 than two and three-eighths inch mesh, from the first day of 18 April to the first day of December following in each year, is 19 hereby prohibited in the waters lying in the jurisdiction of 20 the state in the towns of Jonesport and Addison inside of a 21 straight line drawn from the southern extremity of Cape 22 Split in the town of Addison, thence southeasterly in a 23 straight line to the southerly end of Crumple Island, thence 24 easterly in a straight line to Moose Peak lighthouse in the 25 town of Jonesport, thence northeasterly in a straight line to 26 Black Head, thence northerly in a straight line to the east-27 ern point of Mark Island, thence northeasterly in a straight 28 line by the point of Little Spruce Island, thence southeasterly 29 in a straight line to the southeastern point of Great Spruce 30 Island, hence southeasterly in a straight line to the summit 31 of the island called the Brothers, under a penalty upon the 32 master or persons in charge of said seines or nets or upon 33 the owner or owners of the vessels, steamers or boats en-34 gaged in taking or fishing for herring inside of said line, of 35 not less than three hundred dollars, and not more than five 36 hundred dollars for each offense, and there shall be a lien

37 upon said vessel, steamer or boat, or apparatus used in such38 unlawful fishing until said penalty with costs of prosecution39 are paid.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Augusta, March 14, 1907.

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

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.

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