MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

SENATE. No. 109

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to prevent the pollution of the waters of Lake Nokomis.

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

Section 1. No person, firm or corporation shall here-

- 2 after build, use or occupy any structure upon or near the
- 3 shores of Lake Nokomis, formerly known as Pillsbury or
- 4 Nason pond, lying partly in the town of Newport in the
- 5 county of Penobscot and partly in the town of Palmyra in
- 6 the county of Somerset, for such purposes or in such manner
- 7 that the sewage or drainage therefrom shall enter the
- 8 waters of said lake, or pollute the same.
- Sect. 2. No person shall hereafter throw the body of 2 any dead animal, fish, or other offensive material into the

3 waters of said lake, or leave the same where it may be
4 absorbed therein, or leave the same upon the said lake
5 when frozen, nor shall any sewage, drainage, refuse, or
6 polluting matter, of such kind and amount as either by itself
7 or in connection with other matter, will tend to corrupt or
8 impair the water of said lake, or tend to render it injurious
9 to health, be discharged into said lake, or deposited therein
10 or thereon. But nothing herein shall prohibit the culti11 vation and use of the soil in the ordinary methods of agri12 cultural, if no human excrement, dressing, fertilizer, or foul
13 or decaying matter of any kind, is used thereon within fifty
14 feet of the line of high water on the shores of said lake.

- Sect. 3. Whoever violates any of the provisions of the 2 foregoing sections shall be punished by a fine not exceed-3 ing five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding 4 one year. The supreme judicial court of the county of 5 Penobscot shall have jurisdiction in equity to enjoin, pre-6 vent, or restrain, any violation of the foregoing provisions.
- Sect. 4. If any person shall bathe in the waters of said 2, lake so long as the waters of the same are used for the 3 purpose of supplying water for domestic uses in any town 4 or village, he shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars, 5 or imprisoned not exceeding six months.
- Sect. 5. Except as herein provided, no person shall use 2 any boat on said lake, or fish therein, or harvest ice there-3 from. Ice may be harvested therefrom provided the taker 4 seasonably removes all filth caused by such harvesting.

5 Any person may fish or boat on said lake and fish through 6 the ice thereon, provided such person shall not deposit in 7 said lake, or on the ice thereof, any foul, offensive, or pol-8 luting matter, injurious to health or safety. Nothing here-9 in shall prevent the necessary uses of said lake by any water to company legally taking water therefrom for domestic pur-11 poses. Whoever violates this section shall be fined not 12 exceeding twenty dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding 13 six months.

Sect. 6. The Municipal Court of Newport in the county 2 of Penobscot shall have original and concurrent jurisdiction 3 with the supreme judicial court within and for said county 4 to enforce all the provisions of this act relating to penalties 5 therein contained.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 20, 1907.

Reported by Mr. MILLS from Committee on Legal Affairs, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON, Secretary.