

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 47

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section one of Chapter forty-one of the Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred and three, relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Section one of Chapter forty-one of the 2 Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred and three is hereby 3 amended by adding thereto the following: 'The commis-4 sioner of sea and shore fisheries may with the approval of 5 the governor and council, appoint and with their consent 6 remove, a deputy commissioner who by virtue of such 7 appointment shall be and perform the duties of chief clerk 8 of the department. In the event of a vacancy in the office 9 of commissioner, or during the absence or disability of that

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10 officer, the deputy commissioner shall perform the duties of 11 the office; at other times such duties as the commissioner 12 may direct. The compensation of the deputy commissioner 13 shall be twelve hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly 14 from funds appropriated for the general use of the depart-15 ment of sea and shore fisheries; he shall also be allowed for 16 actual expenses incurred while engaged in official business 17 of the department,' so that said section as amended shall read 18 as follows:

'Section 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of 20 the council, shall appoint a commissioner who shall have 21 general supervision of the sea and shore fisheries and shell 22 fish regulated by this chapter, and shall hold his office for 23 three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified. 24 He shall exercise supervision over all the fisheries and their 25 products taken from the tide waters within the State, includ-26 ing the proper enforcement of all laws relating to the catch-27 ing, packing, curing, manufacturing, branding and trans-28 portation of all kinds of pickled, salt, smoked, fresh, canned, 29 frozen, shell or other fish. He shall make a detailed bien-30 nial report in the month of December, showing the amount of 31 capital invested in, number of men employed in, value of 32 products of, and any other information that he may be able 33 to obtain relating to the sea and shore fisheries, excepting 34 the sardine fishery, concerning which no statement or esti-35 mate of the number of cases packed shall be made. The 36 commissioner of sea and shore fisheries may with the ap-

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37 proval of the governor and council, appoint and with their 38 consent remove, a deputy commissioner who by virtue of 39 such appointment shall be and perform the duties of chief 40 clerk of the department. In the event of a vacancy in the 41 office of commissioner, or during the absence or disability 42 of that officer, the deputy commissioner shall perform the 43 duties of the office; at other times such duties as the commis-44 sioner may direct. The compensation of the deputy com-45 missioner shall be twelve hundred dollars per annum, payable 46 monthly from funds appropriated for the general use of the 47 department of sea and shore fisheries; he shall also be allow-48 ed for actual expenses incurred while engaged in offi-49 cial business of the department.'

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, January 29, 1909.

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Reported by Mr. KELLEY from Committee on Shore Fisheries and ordered printed and recommitted.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.