

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 491

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT regulating the taking of alewives in Patten's Pond Stream in the town of Surry, Hancock County, Maine.

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

Section I. It shall be unlawful for any person to fish for, 2 catch, take, kill, or destroy, in any manner, any alewives 3 in the waters of Patten's Pond stream, in the town of 4 Surry, Hancock county, Maine, for a period of three years 5 from the first day of April, A. D. 1909.

Sect. 2. The entire control and authority over the fish-2 ways already constructed in said stream, and the right to 3 take alewives therein, is hereby granted to the inhabitants 4 of said town of Surry. Said town, at any legal town meet-

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5 ing, when an article shall be duly inserted in the warrant 6 for that purpose, is hereby authorized and empowered to 7 take such action as shall be necessary to protect said town 8 in the entire right of the alewive fishery in said stream, and 9 for that purpose may authorize the selectmen there chosen, 10 or they may elect a special committee therefor, to have 11 entire control of the alewive fishery in said stream, and 12 said town may raise money to construct and maintain fish-13 ways, instead of requiring the owners of dams to do it, 14 as they deem best.

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Sect. 3. From and after January first, 1912, the select-2 men or committee may make such disposition of the right 3 to take alewives in said stream as it is deemed most expe-4 dient for said town, and they may designate certain days 5 in each week when alewives may be taken by them, as 6 selectmen, or as a committee, or they may sell the right 7 to take alewives upon certain days in each week to such 8 person or persons as they deem best for the interest of 9 said town. Any person who shall take any alewives con-10 trary to the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine 11 of not less than ten dollars for each offense, to be recovered 12 by a complaint.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 5, 1909.

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

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.