

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 618

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta  
river, bays and tributaries.

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

Section 1. Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 170 of the Private  
2 and Special Laws of 1899 are hereby amended by striking  
3 out in each of said sections the words "above the ledges, so  
4 called," so that said sections as amended shall read as fol-  
5 lows:

'Section 1. It shall be unlawful to catch smelts in the  
7 Damariscotta river, its bays and tributaries, in any other  
8 way than by hook and line, provided, however, that dipnets  
9 may be used from April first to April twentieth of each year.

'Sect. 2. Any person convicted of fishing for or catching

11 smelts in the Damariscotta river, its bays and tributaries, in  
12 any other way than by hook and line, shall be punished by a  
13 fine of one hundred dollars, by complaint or indictment, one-  
14 half to the use of the complainant and one-half to the coun-  
15 ty where the proceedings are commenced. Full jurisdic-  
16 tion to impose said fine is hereby conferred upon trial jus-  
17 tices.'



STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 13, 1909.

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

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*