

SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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Introduced by Mr. Tucker of Wiscasset. By Mr. Kelley of Boothbay tabled for printing pending reference to a committee. C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT relating to the protection of smelts along the coast of Maine.

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

Section 1. No smelts shall be taken or fished for in the 2 tidal waters along the cost of Maine within one half mile of 3 the coast line at mean high water mark except by hook and 4 line or weirs, under penalty of not less than ten and not more 5 than fifty dollars for each offence.

Sect. 2. Any person convicted of fishing or catching 2 smelts within one half mile of said coast line at mean high 3 water mark in any other way than hook and line or weirs 4 shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than 5 fifty dollars by complaint or indictment, one half to the use of

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6 the complainant and one half to the county where the pro-7 ceedings are commenced. Full jurisdiction to impose said 8 fine is hereby conferred upon municipal and police courts and 9 upon trial justices.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act 2 are hereby repealed.