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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 413

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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 from Casco Bay to Penobscot Bay.

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 coast of Maine within one-half mile 3 of the coast line at mean high water mark starting from 4 Cape Sman Point on the west bank of the Kennebec river 5 and continuing easterly along the coast of Maine to Owls 6 Head in Penobscot Bay, except by hook and line or weirs 7 or set nets through the ice, under penalty of not less than 8 ten nor more than fifty dollars for each offense.

Sect. 2. Any person convicted of fishing or catching smelts

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2 within one-half mile of said coast line at mean high water 3 mark starting from Cape Small Point on the west bank of 4 the Kennebec river and continuing easterly along the coast 5 of Maine to Owls Head in Penobscot Bay, in any other way 6 than hook and line or weirs or set nets through the ice shall 7 be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than 8 fifty dollars by complaint or indictment, one-half to the use 9 of the complainant and one-half to the county where the 10 proceedings are commenced. Full jurisdiction to impose 11 said fine is hereby conferred upon municipal and police 12 courts and upon trial justices.

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 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this 2 act are hereby repealed.