

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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NO. 59

House of Representatives, Jan. 31, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries, five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Holt of Gouldsboro.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT relating to marking lobsters in transit.

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

Section 1. All barrels, boxes or other packages in transit 2 containing lobsters, shall be marked with the word "lobsters" 3 in capital letters, at least one inch in length, together with the 4 full name of the shipper; said marking shall be placed in a 5 plain and legible manner on the outside of such barrels, 6 boxes or other packages; and in case of seizure by any duly 7 authorized officer, of any barrels, boxes or other packages in 8 transit, containing lobsters, which are not so marked, or in

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9 case of seizure by such officer, of barrels, boxes or other 10 packages in transit, containing lobsters, less than the pre-11 scribed length, such lobsters as are alive and less than the 12 prescribed length, shall be liberated, and all such lobsters as 13 are of the prescribed length found in such barrels, boxes or 14 packages, shall be forfeited and disposed of under the 15 provisions of Section forty-seven.

Sect. 2. Every person, firm, association or corporation 2 who ships lobsters without having the barrels, boxes or other 3 packages in which the same are contained, marked as pre-4 scribed in the previous section, shall upon conviction be 5 punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars, and upon subse-6 quent conviction thereof by a fine of fifty dollars, and any 7 person or corporation in the business of a common carrier of 8 merchandise, who shall carry or transport from place to 9 place lobsters in barrels, boxes or other packages not so 10 marked, shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars upon each 11 conviction thereof.

Sect. 3. Sections 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43 of the Revised 2 Statutes is hereby repealed.

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