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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 237

House of Representatives, February 25, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Houghton from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Nineteen of Chapter Thirty-three of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Seventeen, Relating to Protection of Land-locked Salmon, Trout, Togue, Black Bass and White Perch.

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

Section nineteen of chapter thirty-three of the revised

- 2 statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred nineteen of
- 3 the public laws of nineteen seventeen, is hereby amended
- 4 by striking out all of said section and by substituting there-
- 5 for the following section:

'Sect. 19. During the respective closed seasons on the

2 above-named fish no person shall fish for, take, catch, or 3 kill, or have any of them in possession; provided, further, 4 that no person shall in any one day during the respective 5 open seasons herein provided take or catch and kill or have 6 in possession at any time, more than fifteen pounds in all 7 of land-locked salmon, trout, togue, white perch and black 8 bass, unless one individual fish caught shall weigh more 9 than fifteen pounds, or unless the last fish caught increases to the combined weight thereof to more than fifteen pounds, 11 and provided, further, that no person in any one day shall 12 take, catch and kill or have in possession at any time more 13 than twenty-five fish in all of land-locked salmon, trout, 14 togue, white perch and black bass even though the twenty-15 five fish caught and killed weigh less than fifteen pounds; 16 provided, further, that it shall be unlawful for any per-17 son to fish for, take, catch or kill any kind of fish at any 18 time in Rangeley lake, Mooselucmaguntic lake, Cupsuptic 19 lake, Upper Richardson lake or Lower Richardson lake, 20 said lakes being the Rangeley Chain of lakes, so-called, by 21 still or plug fishing, so-called; provided, further, that no 22 person shall fish for, take, catch or kill any trout or land-23 locked salmon at any time in Messalonskee lake, or Snow 24 pond, so-called, of the Belgrade Chain of lakes, in the 25 county of Kennebec, by still or plug fishing, so-called, and 26 provided, further, that no land-locked salmon less than 27 twelve inches in length, no trout or white perch less than 28 six inches in length and no black bass less than ten inches 29 in length shall be caught and killed or had in possession 30 by any person at any time, except that in Rangeley, Moose-31 lucmaguntic, Cupsuptic, Upper Richardson or Lower Rich-32 ardson lakes, said lakes being the Rangeley Chain of lakes, 33 so-called, no trout less than nine inches in length shall be 34 caught or killed or had in possession at any time, or in 35 Great, Long, East, North, Ellis, McGraw or Snow ponds, 36 said ponds being part of the Belgrade Chain of lakes, in 37 Kennebec and Somerset counties, no trout less than ten 38 inches or black bass less than twelve inches in length shall 39 be caught and killed or had in possession at any time; and 40 provided, further, no person shall take, catch, and kill in 41 any one day more than six black bass in all in either of 42 said ponds or in Lake Kezar or in Lower Kezar pond in 43 Oxford county.'