

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 359

House of Representatives, March 9, 1923.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Gamage of South Bristol.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE**

AN ACT to Amend Section Eighteen of Chapter Forty-five of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Section Two of Chapter Ninety-eight of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Twenty-one, Relating to the Issuing of Lobster Licenses.

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

An Act to amend section eighteen of chapter forty-five of
2 the revised statutes as amended by section two of chapter
3 ninety-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-
4 one, by striking out after the word "license" in the eighth
5 line all of said sentence in said amendment so that said
6 section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 18. The director of sea and shore fisheries shall
2 grant and issue licenses in the lobster industry. Such
3 licenses shall be divided into four classes, namely: First
4 class, fishermen's licenses; second class, selling licenses;
5 third class, shipping licenses; and fourth class, smackmen's
6 licenses. Licenses of the first class, fishermen's licenses,
7 shall be issued only to citizens of this state or to any per-
8 son who has resided within the state continuously for one
9 year, immediately preceding the date of application for
10 license. Licenses of the second class, selling licenses, shall
11 be issued only to persons, firms, or corporations conducting
12 hotels, restaurants, or boarding houses, or to persons, firms
13 or corporations engaged in the business of buying and sell-
14 ing lobsters. Licenses of the third class, shippers' licenses,
15 shall be issued only to persons, firms or corporations en-
16 gaged in the lobster business in this state or other states
17 to buy, sell and ship lobsters. Licenses of the fourth class,
18 smackmen's licenses, shall be issued only to smackmen to
19 buy, sell and transport lobsters by smack or boat. All
20 licenses now outstanding shall become void on the passage
21 of this act and new licenses must be obtained under the
22 conditions herein set forth. Applications for licenses shall
23 be made upon special forms provided by the director of
24 sea and shore fisheries. Violations of the agreements of
25 the application shall render the license thereon void. Dump-
26 ing, destroying or removing any bag, box or other recep-
27 tacle after command of the director of sea and shore fish-

28 eries or his wardens, or when pursued by the director of
29 sea and shore fisheries or his wardens shall be evidence of
30 violation of the agreement of his application and the license
31 of such person shall be revoked. The said director shall
32 keep the clerks of various cities, towns and plantations bor-
33 dering on the sea shore and other clerks who request them,
34 supplied with blank applications; said clerk shall keep a
35 supply of them on hand and furnish them to applicants.
36 All applications when filled out shall be forwarded to the
37 office of said director together with fees for same. Such
38 licenses shall be granted to expire on the last day of June
39 next succeeding the granting of same, unless sooner re-
40 voked, as provided in section twenty. The director in his
41 biennial report shall state the number of licenses granted.
42 He shall issue to each person, firm or corporation licensed
43 as aforesaid a certificate, stating the name of the person,
44 firm or corporation to whom such license shall be granted,
45 the number of said license and the date of expiration of
46 said license.'