# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

### H. P. No. 127

H. D. No. 448

House of Representatives, March 23, 1925.

Reported by Mr. Moore of Gouldsboro from Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Moore of Gouldsboro.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Better Protection of Smelts.

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

Chapter one hundred thirty-two of the public laws of nine-

- 2 teen hundred and twenty-three is hereby amended by strik-
- 3 ing out the words "waters of the state" in the second line,
- 4 and inserting in place thereof the words 'of the tidal wa-
- 5 ters of the state not covered by private or special laws,' so
- 6 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 1. No smelts shall be taken or fished for in any

- 2 of the tidal waters of the state not covered by private or
- 3 special laws between the first day of April and the first day

4 of October of each year except by hook and line. Any-5 one violating any provision of this act shall be punished by 6 a fine of one hundred dollars for each offense. Nothing in 7 this act shall apply to smelts taken in fish weirs or traps 8 maintained and operated for the catching of sardines and 9 herrings.'