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# EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT for the Protection of Black Bass in the Inland Waters of the State.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to fish for,
2 take, catch or kill any black bass in any lake, pond or river
3 in the state from the first day of October of each year until
4 the twentieth day of June of the following year, both days
5 inclusive; provided, however, that in Crawford pond, in
6 Knox county, and in Lake Megunticook, in Knox and
7 Waldo counties, black bass may be taken with unbaited
8 artificial flies, or fly fishing, or by trolling, so-called, from
9 the time the ice is out of said Crawford pond and Lake
10 Megunticook in the spring to the twentieth day of June of

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11 each year; provided, further, that in the brooks and streams 12 of the state above tide water the annual closed season on 13 black bass shall be from September sixteenth of each year 14 until the twentieth day of June of the following year, both 15 days inclusive. It shall also be unlawful for any person to 16 have in possession at any time any black bass taken in closed 17 season or in violation of any other provision of this act.

Sect. 2. Whoever violates any provision of this act shall 2 be subject to a penalty of not less than ten dollars, nor more 3 than thirty dollars, and costs, for each offense, and an addi-4 tional penalty of one dollar for each black bass taken, caught, 5 killed or had in possession in violation of any provision of 6 this act.

Sect. 3. Trial justices, police and municipal courts, within 2 their respective counties, shall have, upon complaint, origi-3 nal and concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial 4 court and superior courts in all prosecutions arising under 5 this act.

Sect. 4. All acts, or parts of acts, relating to closed sea-2 son on black bass, whether public, or private and special, 3 inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby re-4 pealed.