

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 589

H. P. 1586 House of Representatives, March 1, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Taxation and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Vose of Cushing.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide Revenue to Support the Sea and Shore
Fisheries Department.

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

Section 1. Be it enacted by the people of the state of
2 Maine that within twenty days after the expiration of every
3 calendar month, every person, firm or corporation buying
4 lobsters in this state or in the waters over which the state
5 has jurisdiction, shall report under oath to the treasurer of
6 the state of Maine on blanks furnished by him, a statement
7 of the number of pounds of lobsters purchased by them ac-
8 companied by a tax which is hereby authorized and imposed

9 of six mills for each pound of lobster purchased by them
10 during the preceding calendar month.

Sect. 2. The revenue hereby secured shall be expended
2 by the sea and shore fisheries department for the purpose
3 of paying the office expenses of the department, for buy-
4 ing egg-bearing lobsters, for the salaries of the commis-
5 sioners, director, wardens, mechanics and clerks, the build-
6 ing and operation of hatcheries and for the building, pur-
7 chasing or hiring of such boats and automobiles as the com-
8 mission shall consider necessary, subject, however, to the
9 approval of the governor and council.

Sect. 3. The sea and shore fisheries commission shall
2 have power to make all necessary rules and regulations to
3 carry this act into effect.

Sect. 4. It shall be unlawful for any smack or boat or
2 for any person holding a license to transport or catch lob-
3 sters in this state, to take them beyond the waters over
4 which the state has jurisdiction for the purpose of selling
5 or disposing in such a way as to avoid the payment of the
6 tax hereinbefore mentioned.

Sect. 5. Any person violating any of the provisions of
2 this act or violating any of the rules and regulations of the
3 commission, shall be punished by a fine of from ten to five
4 hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail of
5 from one to eight months, or by both fine and imprison-
6 ment.

Sect. 6. Fines and penalties under this act may be re-

2 covered by complaint indictment or action of debt as pro-
3 vided by statute for the recovery of other fines and penal-
4 ties for offenses against the laws relating to sea and shore
5 fisheries.