

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 275

S. P. 634

In Senate, Mar. 1, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries and 500
copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Slocum of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Lobster Licenses of the First Class,
Amending Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Twenty-three,
Chapter Eighty-seven.

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

Chapter eighty-seven of the public laws of nineteen hun-
2 dred twenty-three is hereby repealed and the following en-
3 acted in place thereof.

'Sect. 18. The director of sea and shore fisheries shall
2 grant and issue licenses in the lobster industry to such per-
3 sons, except as is herein otherwise provided, who may make
4 written application therefor on blanks furnished by said
5 director, but no such license shall be issued to any class

6 of applicants unless all questions asked or information
7 sought or called for in said application shall have been
8 completed to the satisfaction of said director. Such licenses
9 shall be divided into four classes, namely: First class, fish-
10 ermen's licenses; second class, selling licenses; third class,
11 shipping licenses; fourth class, smackmen's licenses. Li-
12 censes of the first class, fishermen's licenses, shall be issued
13 only to such persons as have been for ten years prior to
14 the date of application, a resident of the state of Maine,
15 except that any person who has heretofore been a resident
16 of this state but for a time resident elsewhere and returns
17 to the state of Maine for the purpose of establishing and
18 maintaining a bona fide residence therein may, if otherwise
19 entitled, receive such license in which case such non-resi-
20 dence may be taken as a part of said ten years. Licenses
21 of the second class, selling licenses, shall be issued only
22 to persons, firms, or corporations conducting hotels, res-
23 taurants, or boarding houses, or to persons, firms or cor-
24 porations engaged in the business of buying and selling lob-
25 sters. Licenses of the third class, shipper's licenses, shall
26 be issued only to persons, firms or corporations engaged
27 in the lobster business in this state or other states to buy,
28 sell and ship lobsters. Licenses of the fourth class, smack-
29 men's licenses, shall be issued only to smackmen to buy,
30 sell and transport lobsters by smack or boat. All licenses
31 now outstanding shall become void on the passage of this
32 act and new licenses must be obtained under the conditions

33 herein set forth. Applications for licenses shall be made
34 upon special forms provided by the director of sea and
35 shore fisheries as above set forth. Violations of the agree-
36 ments of the application shall render the license thereon
37 void. Dumping, destroying or removing any bag, box or
38 other receptacle after command of the director of sea and
39 shore fisheries or his wardens, or when pursued by the
40 director of sea and shore fisheries or his wardens shall be
41 evidence of violation of the agreement of his application
42 and the license of such person shall be revoked after pub-
43 lic hearing before the director or a member of the com-
44 mission. The said director shall keep the clerks of various
45 cities, towns and plantations bordering on the sea shore
46 and other clerks who request them, supplied with blank
47 applications; said clerks shall keep a supply of them on
48 hand and furnish them to applicants. All applications when
49 filled out shall be forwarded to the office of said director
50 together with fees for same, which fee shall be one dollar
51 for any license or for any renewal thereof. All licenses
52 shall expire annually on the last day of June unless sooner
53 revoked as provided in section twenty. The director in
54 his biennial report shall state the number of licenses granted.
55 He shall issue to each person, firm or corporation licensed
56 as aforesaid a certificate, stating the name of the person,
57 firm or corporation to whom such license shall be granted,
58 the number of said license and the date of the expiration
59 thereof.'