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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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Reported by Mr. McLoon from Committee on Sea & Shore
Fisheries and laid on Table to be printed under Joint Rules.
CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.
New Draft of H. P. 765.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend R. S. Chapter 50, section 79.

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

That section 79 of Chap. 50 of the Revised Statutes of Maine be amended by striking out the last sentence in said section and by adding after the word "ledge" the words 'or to the Damariscotta River below the bridge at Damariscotta,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of July there shall be a weekly close time of forty-eight hours from sunrise on each Saturday morning to sunrise on the following Monday morning, during which no salmon, shad, alewives, or bass, shall be taken. During the weekly close time all seines, nets, and other movable apparatus shall be removed from the water. Every weir shall have, in that part where the fish are usually taken, an opening three feet wide, extending from the bottom to the top of the weir, and the netting or other material which closes the same while fishing shall be taken out, carried on shore and there remain during the weekly close time, to the intent that during said close time the fish may have a free and unobstructed passage through such weir or other structure, and no contrivance which tends to hinder such fish shall be placed in any part thereof. If the enclosure where the fish are

taken is furnished with a board floor, an opening extending from the floor to the top of the weir is equivalent to one extending from the bottom to the top. The penalty for the violation of this section is twenty dollars for each offence. This section does not apply to the Kennebec, Androscoggin or Penobscot rivers or their tributaries, or to the Saint Croix river below the breakwater at the ledge, or to the Damariscotta river below the bridge at Damariscotta.