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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Relating to Fly-fishing for Salmon and Shad in Kennebec River.

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

Section seventy-two of chapter fifty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting between the word "river" and the word "the" in the thirty-first line thereof the following words: 'Any person may take any salmon, shad or alewives in the waters of the Kennebec river in the city of Augusta between the Augusta highway bridge and the Augusta dam, by fly-fishing only, from the first day of May to the first day of October of each year,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 72. No salmon, shad, or other migratory fish shall be taken or fished for within five hundred yards of any fishway, dam, or mill race; nor in the Penobscot river between the mouth of the Kenduskeag stream and the water-works dam at Treat's falls on said river, nor between the Augusta highway bridge over the Kennebec river and the Augusta dam; nor in Mill river, a tributary of Georges river, in Thomaston, Maine, between said Georges river and the old dam at head of tide waters in said Mill river; nor any salmon five hundred feet above Ferry point bridge on the St. Croix river in Calais, between the first days of April and November, except by the ordinary mode of angling with single hook and

line or artificial flies; nor shall hook and line or artificial flies be used at any time within one hundred yards of any fishway, dam or mill race; but this section shall not apply to the taking of alewives by the town of Warren in the Georges river, and by the town of Waldoboro in Medomak river, under the authority granted said towns by a private and special law of Massachusetts, passed the sixth day of March, eighteen hundred and two, and amendments thereof passed by the legislature of this state; nor shall it apply to the taking of alewives by the town of Woolwich in Nequasset stream; nor shall it apply to the taking of alewives by the West Harbor Ice Company in the water below its fishway, erected under authority given by chapter one hundred forty of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred five. Fly-fishing shall be allowed up to the bridge across the Denny's river at Lincoln's mill, but not between said bridge and Lincoln's mill dam. This section shall not apply to the Laconia falls and the Lower falls, so-called, of the Saco river, located at Biddeford and Saco; and upon the first three days of each week, from the first of June to the first of September of each year, all persons may dip for salmon, shad and alewives at the falls last named above. Any person may take any salmon, shad or alewives in the waters of Orange river in the town of Whiting, in the county of Washington, up to one hundred and thirty yards of the fishway at the lower dam in said river; subject, however, to all the laws of the state, and laws regulating the taking of such fish in said river. Any person may take any salmon, shad or alewives in the waters of the Kennebec river in the city of Augusta between the Augusta highway bridge and the Augusta dam, by fly-fishing only, from the first day of May to the first day of October of each year. The penalty for any violation of this section is a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each offense and a further fine of ten dollars for each salmon and one dollar for each shad, alewife or other migratory fish so taken.