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House of Representatives, Feb. 1, 1933.

Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hescock of Monson.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to the Taking of Smelts, Minnows and Other Bait Fish, White Fish, Cusk and Suckers.

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

Section 1. **R. S. c. 38, § 29, ¶ 1, amended.** Paragraph 1 of section 29 of chapter 38 of the biennial revision of the fish and game laws is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

It shall be unlawful to take smelts in any of the inland waters of the state above tide waters for the same period that such waters are closed to all fishing, except as hereinafter provided ; during the open season on such waters, smelts may be taken by the use of a dip net in the usual and ordinary way. No person shall take, kill, catch or have in possession more than four quarts of smelts in any one day. Smelts may be caught with a single hook and line through the ice, only during the open season for fishing on such waters, but they shall not be taken for sale or sold at any time except as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. **R. S. c. 38, § 29, ¶ 5, amended.** Paragraph 5 of section 29 of chapter 38 of the biennial revision of the fish and game laws is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

Provided, further, that it shall be unlawful to take smelts with a dip-net in Sebago lake or its tributaries, or any lake or its tributaries in Androscoggin county, at any time, except that smelts under 6 inches in length,

to be kept alive for bait purposes, may be taken in the Bachelder brook so-called at North Sebago, and in that part of the Crooked and Songo Rivers, in the towns of Casco and Naples, from the junction of the Songo River with Sebago lake up to the first cement bridge over the Crooked river, except that, smelts shall not be taken in the Songo river above its junction with the Crooked river and in all Androscoggin waters.

Sec. 3. **R. S. c. 38, § 29, ¶ 7, amended.** Paragraph 7 of section 29 of chapter 38 of the biennial revision of the fish and game laws is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Provided, further, that it shall be lawful to take minnows and other fish usually used for bait for fishing, in all the inland waters of the state for bait for fishing only in this state; and provided, further, that it shall be lawful to fish for and take white fish with single hook and line, in the day time in the waters of the state during such time as the waters fished in are open to fishing for salmon, trout and togue, and provided, further, that it shall be lawful to fish for and take cusk in the night time during such period as the waters fished in are open to fishing for salmon, trout and togue, with not more than five set lines to each person when fishing through the ice and when under the immediate supervision of the person fishing.