

EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Burkett of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Licenses for Sea and Shore Fishing.

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

Sec. 1. Sea and shore fishing, licenses for. No person, firm or corporation either by themselves as principal or their servants or agents shall at any time, place, set, keep, maintain, supervise, lift, raise, or draw in, from the territorial waters of this state, or cause to be placed, set, kept, maintained, supervised, lifted, raised, or drawn, in from any of said waters any pot, trap, weir, trawl, net, seine, or any other contrivance used or adapted for catching any kind of fish that inhabit the coastal waters of Maine for commercial purposes unless licensed so to do.

Sec. 2. Issuance of licenses. The commissioner shall grant and issue licenses in the fishing industry to such persons as apply for them except as herein otherwise provided, who may make written application therefor on blanks furnished by said commissioner, but no such licenses shall be issued to any class of applicants unless all questions asked or information sought or called for in said application shall have been completed to the satisfaction of said commissioner. Such licenses shall be issued only to such persons as have been residents of the state of Maine for 10 years immediately preceding the date of application except that any person who has heretofore been a resident of the state but for a time resided elsewhere and returned to this state for the purpose of establishing a bona fide residence therein, may, if otherwise entitled, receive such license in which case such non-residence may be taken as a part of said 10 years.

Sec. 3. Penalty. Any person fishing without a license shall be punished by a fine of \$25 for the first offense; for the second offense, \$50, and for any subsequent offense \$100 and 60 days in jail in addition to said fine.

Sec. 4. Penalty. Any non-resident fishing within the coastal waters of the state of Maine for commercial purposes shall be subject to a fine of \$500 for the first offense; \$1000 for any subsequent offense and 60 days in jail in addition to said fine.

Sec. 5. Fee. A fee of \$1 and no more, shall be collected by the state for the issuance of the license provided for in section 2.