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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 896

S. P. 708

In Senate, March 30, 1935.

Tabled by Senator Worcester of Washington pending acceptance of report and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

NEW DRAFT OF S. P. 430—L. D. 475

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Purchase of Herring.

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

Sec. 1. Chapter 2 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby further amended by adding thereto after section 25 the following section to be known as section 25-A.

Sec. 25-A. Purchase of herring, regulated; penalty. No person, firm or corporation shall purchase or sell herring in their live or raw state for packing purposes, other than by some standard method of measurement such as by the bushel, barrel of 3 bushels, or by the hogshead of 17½ bushels or fractional part of said standard method of measurement. Such measurement of quantity shall be made on arrival at the packing establishment.

Any person, firm or corporation purchasing herring from a fisherman or his agent shall either pay cash to said fisherman or his agent at the time of purchase or shall furnish to said fisherman or his agent a written acknowledgment of purchase containing all information necessary to a complete understanding of the transaction, including the price and an estimate of the quantity, and providing for payment not later than 7 days after

receipt of said herring, and all payments shall be made in money or in money equivalent.

Provided, however, that a fisherman may enter into, with a purchaser of his herring, any other and different arrangement relative to the method of determining quantity of herring and the time of payment therefor that is mutually satisfactory to both parties.

Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100, nor more than \$500 for each offense.