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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 907

H. P. 1854

House of Representatives, April 3, 1935.

Reported by Mr. Shaw from Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.
On motion of Mr. Sleeper of Rockland report tabled pending acceptance.
New draft ordered printed. Thursday, April 4, assigned.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

NEW DRAFT OF H. P. 1083—L. D. 326

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Regulating the Taking of Ground Fish by Dragging.

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

Sec. 1. Taking of ground fish regulated. The taking of any ground fish, other than scallops or flounders by means of any device dragged over the bottom within the limits of the territorial jurisdiction of the state, is hereby prohibited; provided, however, that the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries is hereby authorized in his discretion, and from time to time, to issue rules and regulations permitting the taking of such ground fish at any time except the spawning season, by devices dragged over the bottom, and such rules and regulations shall have the full force and effect of law.

Sec. 2. Limitations. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any section of the coast in which the use of such devices is regulated or prohibited by any statute now in effect or hereinafter to become effective.

Sc. 3. Penalty. Any person violating the provisions of this act, or any rule or regulation of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries made

in pursuance of the authority hereinbefore granted, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$300, for each offense, or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. All fines and penalties recovered under this act shall be paid to the treasurer of state and made a part of the appropriation for sea and shore fisheries.