

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 616**

H. P. 1161

House of Representatives, February 17, 1943.

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Miss Bangs of Brunswick by request.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Digging Clam Worms.**

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

**Sec. 1. Digging of worms regulated.** No person shall dig or take any clam worms, blood worms, sand worms, or worms of any kind, from any flats without the owner's written permission. He must carry upon his person this written permission at all times when digging worms. On request he must show this written permission to any officer, or owner of flats on which he may be digging worms, and also his license to dig worms issued by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

If said owner wishes to avail himself of said provisions, he must erect and maintain boundary marks, which shall each consist of a pile of rocks with a stake set among the rocks, or otherwise properly and plainly marked, and these marks shall be not over 20 rods apart.

**Sec. 2. Penalty.** Any person who wilfully or maliciously moves, destroys, mutilates or changes such marks shall for the 1st offense be fined not more than \$100 and for the 2nd offense by a fine of not more than \$200.

Any person digging or taking worms from flats so marked, without writ-

ten permission by the owner of said flats, shall be fined \$20 and costs for the 1st offense and for the 2nd and each subsequent offense a fine of \$25 and the forfeiture of his license to dig worms for 60 days.