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Legislative Document

No. 141

H. P. 319

House of Representatives, January 25, 1945.

Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cousins of Old Town.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Ferry Between Indian Island and Old Town.

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

Sec. 1. Authority to establish ferry. The department of health and welfare is authorized to establish and maintain a ferry between the city of Old Town and Indian Island, so called, and to make use of the long established landing in upper Main Street, Old Town, called the "town landing" or "Indian landing" and the established ferry landing on Indian Island and the department shall make such rules and regulations as it deems advisable for the safe operation of the ferry.

Sec. 2. Employment of ferryman. The department is authorized to employ such persons as may be necessary for the efficient and safe operation of the ferry or to lease the right to operate the same to a responsible member of the Penobscot tribe upon such terms and conditions as the department shall determine.

Sec. 3. Hours of operation; neglect of ferryman. Said ferry shall be operated each day when ice and weather permits at such hours between 6 A. M. and 10 P. M. and upon such schedules as the department deems necessary for reasonable accommodation of residents of Indian Island. In the event any ferryman is grossly negligent or careless in the discharge and performance of his duties as ferryman, or neglects or refuses discharge of

his duties, the agent of the tribe may after consultation with the governor of the tribe summarily remove such ferryman.

Sec. 4. Tolls established. The department shall establish reasonable rates of toll for passage, freight and baggage. The agent of said tribe shall have supervision of all matters pertaining to boats, equipment and apparatus used in operating said ferry and shall see that suitable boats, equipment and apparatus are used.

Sec. 5. Penalty for operating without license. Any person who operates a ferry between Indian Island and the city of Old Town without authorization of the department or who furnishes for hire a boat or other craft for such purposes, forfeits \$4 for each time of transportation, to be recovered by the agent of the tribe and credited to the Indian appropriation.

Sec. 6. P. & S. L., 1913, c. 132, repealed. Chapter 132 of the private and special laws of 1913, as amended by chapter 98 of the private and special laws of 1937, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. Effective date. This act shall take effect on the 2nd Tuesday of September, 1945.