

# NINETY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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Presented by Senator Washburn of Washington.

# STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE

#### AN ACT Relating to Fish Weirs.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 34, § 31, amended. Section 31 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 31. Protection of weirs; penalty. No person except the owner or person in charge of a weir shall set any net or seine within 1,000 feet of the mouth of any such weir under a penalty of 50 ioo for each offense and a like penalty for each and every day thereafter that such net or seine shall remain so illegally set.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 34, § 32, amended. Section 32 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 32. Owner may use. The owner or person in charge of any weir is permitted to use nets and seines in such weir or within 1,000 feet of the mouth thereof.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 34, § 37, amended. The last paragraph of section 37 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The standard for low-water mark on the Kennebec river is in all cases the nearest benchmark of the United States coast survey, allowance being made at the various points for the difference in time. The provisions of this and the preceding sections section do not apply to weirs built for the purpose of taking herring, or other salt-water fish.'