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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

**AN ACT Relating to Pollution in Cobbosseecontee and Annabessacook
Lakes.**

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

Sec. 1. Complaint of pollution and action. Upon complaint to the state sanitary water board that the waters of Cobbosseecontee or Annabessacook lakes are receiving pollution, as defined by this act, the board shall make a study of the conditions and if possible by cooperation with the offending party or parties work out a reasonable solution thereof. If said offending party refuses or neglects to act reasonably in the premises, the board, acting through the attorney-general, may proceed at law or in equity to procure relief from the pollution condition.

Sec. 2. "Pollution" defined. For the purposes of this chapter, pollution shall be regarded as existing in any of the aforesaid waters if, as the result of any discharge of any liquid, solid, or gaseous substances, the quality of any of such waters is impaired for public water supply, bathing or recreational purposes, or use by livestock, or kills or is injurious to fish life, or is injurious to public health or comfort.

Sec. 3. Limitation. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting in any authority of the attorney-general to bring action for the abatement of nuisances.