

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 3, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Arthur of Farmingdale by request.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-NINE

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AN ACT Regulating Boats for Hire on Inland Waters.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 56-B, additional. Chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 56-B, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 56-B. Regulating boats for hire; exemption; penalty. Any boat operated for hire upon any great pond, or upon any river or any inland body of water to which the public has a right of access shall be properly painted, repaired and fitted with oars and with life preservers for each person.

There shall also be painted figures on each such boat stating the number of persons who can safely be accommodated.

The commissioner shall have authority to determine if such boats meet the requirements of this section. Any warden shall have the authority to require any such boat to meet the proper requirements before being offered for hire.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to duck skiffs and boats with licensed guides.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$200 or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.'