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NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, February 3, 1949.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Sleeper of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Regulating the Taking of Alewives in St. George River in the Town of Warren.

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

Taking of alewives in St. George river in the town of Warren regulated; penalty. Exclusive rights in the taking of alewives in St. George river in the town of Warren, county of Knox, shall be optional with the town.

The town at its annual town meeting may determine by vote whether the alewife fishing in these waters shall be operated by the town, through its selectmen or a committee appointed for that purpose, or the privilege offered for sale by said selectmen or committee; and likewise may provide for regulations, compatible with the general laws of the state, to govern the times when and the manner in which alewives shall be taken therein. Provided, however, that there shall be a 24-hour weekly closed season on alewives in all such waters from sunrise on each Saturday morning until sunrise on the following Sunday morning.

Whenever such regulations are thus provided for, they shall be promulgated by the selectmen of the town of Warren and a copy of the same filed immediately with the clerk of said town.

If in any year said town fails to act as provided for in the preceding paragraph, the taking of alewives in said waters shall be in accordance with the provisions of the general laws of the state and any regulations adopted under authority of this chapter shall be enforced by the municipal officers of the town of Warren.

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter or any regulations promulgated hereunder shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10, or by imprisonment for 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.