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## NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 689

H. P. 1320 House of Representatives, February 11, 1949. Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Thompson of Brewer.

## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Smelt Fishing in the Tidewaters of the Penobscot River and Its Tributaries.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 34, § 44, amended. Section 44 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:

'It shall be lawful to fish for and take smelts from the tidewaters of the Penobscot river and its tributaries between the 1st day of October and the 15th day of May; however, during the last 15 days of said open time, such fishing and taking shall be restricted to the use of gill and dip nets only. Any fish so taken from said waters may be offered for sale and sold within the state or shipped to such places out of the state as the owner may designate. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this paragraph shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100.'

Sec. 2. Rule and regulation repealed. Any rule and regulation of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries now in effect dealing with smelt fishing in Penobscot river and its tributaries is hereby repealed.