

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. O'Dell of Eastport.

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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 Relating to the Sale or Packing of Herring.

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

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

**'Sec. 34. Rules governing sale or packing of herring; penalty; enforcement by commissioner.** Whoever takes, preserves, sells or offers for sale between the 1st day of December and the 15th day of the following April any herring for canning purposes ~~less than 8 inches long, measured from one extreme to the other,~~ or packs or cans ~~sardines~~ herring of any description between the 1st day of December and the 15th day of the following April forfeits \$20 for every 100 cans so packed or canned, and for every 100 herring so taken; **provided, however, that herring used for the packing of sardines in 1 pound oval cans may be taken and packed only from June 1st to December 1st of each year.** All cans shall be decorated, stamped or labeled with quality, packer's name and place of business, or merchant's name for whom the same are packed, except sardines packed in plain cans and shipped for buyers' labels or cartons. Whoever sells or offers for sale any sardines in cans not so decorated or labeled shall forfeit \$1 for every can so sold or offered for sale, to be recovered by complaint, indictment or action of debt.

Nothing contained in this section nor in the 3 succeeding sections shall be so construed as to prohibit the taking, processing and sale of fish and fish products which may be taken, processed and sold by virtue of sections 198 to 205, inclusive, of chapter 27 and acts amendatory thereof.'