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S. P. 260

In Senate, February 9, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Sleeper of Knox by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Legal Length of Lobsters.

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

R. S., c. 34, § 117, amended. The 1st and 3rd paragraphs of section 117 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, as revised, are hereby amended to read as follows:

‘The commissioner shall provide a measure, designated as the state double gauge lobster measure, for determining the legal length of lobsters. One gauge shall be $3\frac{1}{8}$ $3\frac{3}{16}$ inches in length **until July 1, 1952, and after that date it shall be $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches in length**, the other shall be 5 inches in length, and no evidence shall be admissible in any court in the state in any manner in which the length of a lobster is in question, unless such length has been determined by such a measure. This measure shall be sold by the commissioner at cost.’

‘An illegal lobster is one of less than $3\frac{1}{8}$ $3\frac{3}{16}$ inches in length **until July 1, 1952, and after that date it shall be $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches in length** or more than 5 inches in length, alive or dead, cooked or uncooked, when measured from the rear of the eye socket along a line parallel to the center line of the body shell to the rear end of the body shell.’