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NINETY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary. Presented by Senator Brown of Washington by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Size of Lobsters.

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

R. S., c. 38, § 114, amended. The 1st and 3rd paragraphs of section 114 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes 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 31/8 3 3/16 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 3/16 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.'