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H. P. 515

House of Representatives, February 13, 1957.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Graves of Northeast Harbor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Regulating Size of Mesh Used in Otter Trawls in Waters of Hancock County.

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

R. S., c. 38, § 27, amended. The 1st sentence of section 27 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The use of either otter or beam trawls within the territorial waters of this State is prohibited for use in taking all fish except flat fish, whiting, herring and shrimp, unless the same are properly provided with net or nets having all meshes thereon measuring not less than $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches mesh by diagonal or stretch measurement, as it is commonly known and called among shore fishermen; **except that the mesh used on otter trawls in the territorial waters of Hancock county shall be knit no smaller than 4 inches in the cod end, so called, and no smaller than $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches in all other parts of the trawl.**'