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Presented by Mr. Young of Gouldsboro.

## STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

## AN ACT Relating to Definition of Fish Weirs.

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

Sec. I. R. S., c. 98, § 8, amended. Section 8 of chapter 98 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end a new sentence, as follows:

'A weir that is not built and able to catch and hold fish by the first day of July in any year shall not be considered a weir for the remainder of the year.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 98, § 12, repealed and replaced. Section 12 of chapter 98 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 12. "Fish weir" defined. The words "fish weir" mentioned in sections 7 to 11 are defined to be a fixed structure erected and maintained during part of each fishing season in the tidewater, constructed of at least 25 spiling or stakes fastened together by binders, surrounded by brush, lath racks or netting, forming the catch pound into which fish are led or guided by one or more fixed leaders constructed of spiling or stakes not more than 20 feet apart and at least 100 feet long, fastened together by binders surrounded by lath racks, brush or netting and from which they cannot readily escape.'

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