

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC LAWS

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**Chapter 11.****CHAP. 11.**

An act additional to chapter two hundred and forty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to fishing.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Chapter two hundred and forty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, shall not apply to the St. Croix river.

Provisions not to apply to St. Croix river.

Approved February 16, 1875.

**Chapter 12.**

An act for the protection of moose.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECT. 1. No person shall, before the first day of October, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty, take, kill or destroy any moose in this state. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall forfeit the sum of one hundred dollars for every moose so taken, killed or destroyed. Every person who in any way aids or assists in the commission of the aforesaid crime shall be liable to the same penalty as the principal.

Killing of moose, prohibited.

Penalty for violation.

SECT. 2. Any person who shall, before the first day of October, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty, have in his possession, keep or sell any moose meat or moose hide, shall be liable to the penalty provided in section first, unless said meat or hide shall have been in his possession at the time this act takes effect.

—persons liable.

SECT. 3. The penalties under this act may be recovered by indictment or action of debt, in any county where said offence may have been committed, or where such moose, moose meat or moose hide may be found, one half for the benefit of the prosecutor, and the other half to the county in which said indictment or action may be commenced.

how recovered.

Approved February 16, 1875.

**Chapter 13.**

An act amending an act entitled "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the State of Maine."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECT. 1. That section one, chapter two hundred and ten, of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, is hereby

Sec. 1, ch. 210, laws of 1874, amendment of.

## CHAP. 14.

Preserving of lobsters between the first days of August and October, prohibited.

Sec. 2, amendment of.

Penalty for violation.

amended by striking out the words "catch, sell, or expose for sale," in the first line, and all after the third line of said section, so that said section shall read: 'No person shall preserve, within the limits of the state of Maine, any lobsters, between the first day of August and the first day of October of each year.'

SECT. 2. That section two of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the words "caught, sold, or exposed for sale," so that said section shall read: 'Any person violating any provision of the above section shall be punished by a fine of ten dollars for every such lobster so used, as aforesaid, one half to go to the person making the complaint, and one half to the use of the town in which the offence is committed.'

Approved February 16, 1875.

### Chapter 14.

An act to amend section three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the abolishing of school districts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sec. 3, ch. 11, R. S., amendment of.

SECT. 1. Section three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting in the seventh line of said section after the word "appraisal," the following words: 'or such part thereof as the town shall vote, and the remainder of said appraisal, if any there be, shall be levied by tax upon the whole town at the second and third annual assessments thereafter, or at the second alone, as the town shall vote;' and by inserting after the word "taken," in the ninth line of said section the following words: 'in the same proportion annually as the tax therefor shall be levied,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Towns may abolish school districts.

Property shall be appraised.

Tax to be levied on town for amount of appraisal.

—remitted to district for value of property taken.

'A town may abolish the school districts therein, and shall thereupon forthwith take possession of all the school-houses, land, apparatus, and other property owned and used for school purposes, which districts might lawfully sell and convey. The property so taken shall be appraised under the direction of the town, and at the next annual assessment thereafter a tax shall be levied upon the whole town, equal to the whole amount of said appraisal, or such part thereof as the town shall vote, and the remainder of said appraisal, if any there be, shall be levied by tax upon the whole town at the second and third annual assessments thereafter, or at the second alone, as the town shall vote, and there shall be remitted to the tax payers of each district the said appraised value of its property thus taken, in the same proportion annually as the