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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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CHAP. 30**Chapter 30.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

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

Chapter 126,  
public laws  
of 1895,  
amended.

Section 1. Chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by striking out the word "twenty" in the third line of section one of said chapter and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'twelve,' also by striking out the word "ten" in line five and line six and insert in lieu thereof the word 'six' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Tribal com-  
mittee shall  
be chosen  
annually.

'Section 1. A tribal committee of the Penobscot tribe of Indians shall be chosen annually, in the month of November, to consist of twelve members of said tribe. No member of said committee shall be less than twenty-one years of age. Six members thereof shall be chosen by the old party so called, and six members thereof by the new party, so called, at separate meetings holden as hereinafter provided.'

—six shall  
be chosen  
by each  
party.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Section 2. This act shall take effect at the annual election to be holden in the month of November, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Approved March 1, 1899.

**Chapter 31.**

An Act to amend Section thirty-two of Chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, regarding taking of Smelts in Tide Waters.

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

Section 32,  
chapter 285,  
public laws  
1897,  
amended.

Section thirty-two of chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by striking out of the third line of said section the word "October" and inserting in place thereof the word 'September,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Close time  
for smelts  
between  
April 1 and  
October 1.

—penalty  
for viola-  
tion.

—weirs shall  
be opened  
and nets  
by April 1.

'Section 32. No smelts shall be taken or fished for in tidal waters, except by hook and line, between the first days of April and September, under a penalty of not less than ten, nor more than thirty dollars for each offense, and a further penalty of twenty cents for each smelt so taken; and all weirs for the capture of smelts shall be opened, and so remain, and all nets used in the smelt and tom-cod fishery shall be taken from the water

on or before the first day of April, under a penalty of not less than twenty, nor more than fifty dollars, and a further fine of five dollars for each day that any such weir or net remains in violation of law; but weirs with catch-pounds, covered with net, the meshes of which are one inch square in the clear, or greater, are not subject to this section. Provided, however, that dip nets may be used between the first and twentieth days of April. Provided, further, that this section does not apply to smelts taken in the Androscoggin river above the Merrymeeting bay bridge, between the first days of October and November, nor to smelts taken in the Penobscot river and its tributaries between the first and the fifteenth days of April, nor to smelts taken in Casco bay between the fifteenth day of September and the first day of October, nor to smelts taken in Machias river above Machiasport toll bridge, between the first day of April and the first day of May.'

—penalty.

—certain weirs excepted.

—dip nets may be used between the 1st and 20th days of April.

—certain waters excepted.

Approved March 1, 1899.

## Chapter 32.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter three hundred and twenty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to the Repair of Highways.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and twenty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by adding the words 'of chapter eighteen' after the words "seventy-three" in the first line thereof, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1, chapter 329, public laws 1895, amended.

'Section 1. Sections sixty, sixty-three and seventy-three of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.'

Sections 60, 63 and 73, amended.

Section 2. Section seventy of said chapter eighteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "commissioner," in the third line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'or by the selectmen as each town may determine,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 70, chapter 8, R. S., amended.

'Section 70. Towns may raise money for the repair of bridges and ways and direct the same to be assessed as for town taxes, to be expended for the purpose by a road commissioner or by the selectmen as each town may determine.'

Towns may raise and assess money for bridges and ways.

Section 3. Section four of said chapter three hundred and twenty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-

Section 4, chapter 329, public laws