

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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**Chapter 289.**

An Act to protect screens in lakes, erected by authority of the state, and to permit ice fishing in Green Lake, in the County of Hancock.

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

Penalty for destroying any screen at the outlet of any pond or lake.

Section 1. Whoever shall take up, destroy or injure any screen erected at the outlet of any lake or pond by authority of the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offense.

Section 5, chapter 30, R. S., modified.

Section 2. So much of section five of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter forty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, as prohibits fishing through the ice in Green lake, in Hancock county, is hereby modified so that it shall be lawful to fish through the ice in said lake during the months of February, March and April, on Fridays and Saturdays of each week, of each year, in the manner provided in the general law for fishing through the ice.

—lawful to fish through the ice in Green lake during February, March and April on certain days.

Approved March 21, 1901.

**Chapter 290.**

An Act to regulate membership and rights of membership in the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

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

Membership, how acquired.

Section 1. Membership in the Penobscot tribe of Indians shall hereafter be acquired only as follows:

—by birth.

I. By birth.

—by adoption.

II. By adoption into the tribe as determined by its tribal committee, in accordance with the provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the public laws of this state enacted in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof.

—by marriage.

III. By marriage to a male member of said tribe; but membership by marriage can be acquired only by such persons as are in whole or in part of Indian blood, and it shall not include the previous issue of the person acquiring it.

Evidence of marriage.

Section 2. A certificate of marriage signed by the person solemnizing the same, or an attested copy of the record thereof, shall be sufficient evidence of such marriage.

Persons entitled to membership shall be

Section 3. On the first Wednesday of January annually the names of all persons entitled to membership under section one of this act shall be reported by the tribal committee to the per-

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son authorized by law to take the census of said tribe, and shall thereupon be placed on the census roll.

Section 4. If any member of said tribe shall abandon it and join another tribe of Indians, he shall be deemed to have lost his membership in the Penobscot tribe, and shall not be entitled to any share of dividends, rentals or other money thereafter apportioned among the members of said tribe, nor to any other subsequent rights of membership.

Section 5. If any member of said tribe shall hereafter reside for a period of five successive years without the limits of the tribal reservation, he shall not be entitled to receive any share accruing after the expiration of said period of the dividends, rentals or other moneys to be divided among said tribe; but any such shares accruing within said period, shall be paid to him or his legal representatives if applied for within one year after the expiration of said five years, unless the same have been used by the agent under the provisions of section eight of this act. All such shares not so used or applied for within said time shall be added to the general distributive fund of said tribe for apportionment by the agent.

Section 6. When any member loses his membership under section four of this act, or his right to share in dividends, rentals or other moneys under section five thereof, no member of his family to whom the provisions of said sections do not personally apply shall be deemed to have lost such membership or right.

Section 7. Any person now a member of said tribe as shown by the tribal census taken under the laws of this state, who shall forfeit any rights of membership, may regain said rights by residing for one continuous year upon the tribal reservation; but such renewal of rights shall not entitle such person to any share in the dividends, rentals or moneys which previously thereto have come into the hands of the agent, nor have any other retrospective effect.

Section 8. If any member of said tribe shall desert his family, or fail to provide properly for said family's support, the agent may in his discretion use for the benefit of such family any part or all of said member's dividends or share of rentals or any money assigned to him from state funds or coming to him in any way by apportionment or distribution through the hands of said agent.

Section 9. Chapter three hundred and one of the resolves of the legislature of this state passed in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, is hereby repealed; and any other laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall be superseded in their application to the Penobscot tribe of Indians by this act.

reported to person appointed to take census. Membership shall be deemed lost when tribe is abandoned.

Any member residing for 5 years without limits of tribe shall not receive dividends.

Loss of membership does not affect membership of other members of the family.

How a person may be restored to membership.

Money forfeited may be used for benefit of family.

Chapter 301, resolves 1874 repealed.

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When act  
shall take  
effect.

Section 10. For the exercise and enjoyment of rights of membership acquired under paragraphs two and three of section one, this act shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two; but for all other purposes, including the acquisition and loss of membership and rights of membership, it shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 22, 1901.