

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1903.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 191.

An Act to amend Section forty-eight of Chapter two hundred eighty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to consolidate and simplify the laws pertaining to Sea and Shore Fisheries as contained in Chapter forty of the Revised Statutes" and in amendments and additions thereto.

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

Section 48 of chapter 284, public laws of 1901, amended.

Section 1. That section forty-eight of chapter two hundred eighty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and one, are hereby amended by striking out the word "fifteenth" in the twenty-sixth line and inserting therefor the word 'thirtieth,' so that said section as amended will read as follows:

—close time for smelts between April and October 1.

'No smelts shall be taken or fished for in tidal waters except by hook and line between the first days of April and October under a penalty of not less than ten nor more than thirty dollars

—penalty for violation.

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

—weirs shall be open and nets removed by April 1.

open and so remain, and all nets used in the smelt and tom cod

—penalty.

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 nets, the meshes of which are one inch square in the clear, or greater, are not subject to this

section. But no smelts caught in such weirs after the first day of April shall be sold or offered for sale in this state nor shall

smelts caught in any manner between the first day of April and the first day of October following be offered for sale, sold, or

shipped from the state under a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense, provided, however, that dip nets may be used

—dip nets may be used between April 1 and May 1.

between the first day of April and the first day of May and all smelts caught by dip nets between said days may be lawfully

offered for sale and sold in this state, provided further that this section does not apply to smelts taken in the Androscoggin river

—partial exception on Androscoggin river.

above the Merrymeeting bay bridge between the first days of October and November. Nor to smelts taken in the Penobscot

—on Penobscot river.

river and its tributaries between the first and thirtieth days of April. Nor to smelts taken in Casco bay between the fifteenth

—on Casco bay.

day of September and the first day of October, nor to smelts taken in Taunton bay between the first day of April and the first

—on Taunton bay.

day of May nor smelts taken in Little Kennebec bay, so called, in the county of Washington between the first day of April and

—on Little Kennebec bay.

the first day of May.'

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.