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STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 30.

An Act to amend Section forty-four of Chapter forty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to close time for Smelts.

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

Section 44,
chapter 41, R.
S., amended.

Section forty-four of chapter forty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "Taunton" in the twenty-fourth line and inserting in its place the word 'Franklin' and by adding thereto the following words, 'nor to smelts taken on West Bay and West Bay stream, so called, in the town of Gouldsboro, Hancock county, between the first and the fifteenth days of April,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Close time
on smelts.

'Section 44. 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 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 open and so remain, and all nets used in the smelt and tom cod fishery, shall be taken from the water on or before said 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 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 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 thirtieth 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 Franklin bay between the first day of April and the first day of May, nor to smelts taken in Little Kennebec bay, so called, in the county of Washington between the first day of April and the first day of May, nor to

—penalty for
violation of.

—exception.

—sale of
smelts
regulated.

—exceptions.

smelts taken in West bay and West bay stream, so called, in the town of Gouldsboro, Hancock county, between the first and the fifteenth days of April.'

Approved February 28, 1905.

Chapter 31.

An Act to amend Section eighteen of Chapter one hundred and forty-four of the Revised Statutes, relating to the support of persons committed to the Insane Hospitals.

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

Section eighteen of chapter one hundred and forty-four of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "support" in the second line of said section, the words 'or becoming unable to pay for his support after commitment any like officer with power to commit,' so that the same when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 18, chapter 144, R. S., amended.

'Section 18. The officers ordering the commitment of a person unable to pay for his support, or becoming unable to pay for his support after commitment, or their successors, any like officer with power to commit, may, in writing, certify that fact to the trustees, and that he has no relatives liable and of sufficient ability to pay for it; and if the trustees are satisfied that such certificate is true, the treasurer of the hospital may charge to the state one dollar and fifty cents a week for his board, and deduct it from the charge made to the patient or town for his support.'

When support of persons committed to insane hospitals may be charged to state.

Approved February 28, 1905.

Chapter 32.

An Act to provide for the better protection of motormen and conductors on electric cars.

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

Section 1. On and after the first day of December in the year nineteen hundred and five, all street cars in regular use for the transportation of passengers in December, January, February and March in each year, except as provided in the following section, shall have their platforms enclosed in such manner as to protect the motormen, conductors or other employees who operate such cars from exposure to wind and weather in such manner as the board of railroad commissioners shall approve.

Platforms to be enclosed.