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regulations and by-laws, shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars; judges of municipal and police courts and trial justices, shall have jurisdiction original and concurrent with the supreme judicial and superior courts, of all offenses under said sections.'

Approved March 28, 1911.

Chapter 109.

An Act to amend Section fifty-five of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Free High Schools.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 55, chapter 15, R. S., repealed.

State aid to free high schools.

Section fifty-five of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

'Section 5. No town shall receive state aid for the maintenance of a free high school unless its appropriation and expenditure for such school has been exclusive of the amounts required by law for common school purposes.'

Approved March 28, 1911.

Chapter 110.

An Act to amend Chapter four of the Revised Statutes in relation to the erection of Wharves and Fish Weirs.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 96, chapter 4, R. S., amended. Section I. Section ninety-six of chapter four of the revised statutes is hereby amended by substituting a comma in place of the period at the end of said section and adding thereto the following: 'The applicant for license to build or extend a fish weir or trap as aforesaid, first giving bond to the town, without sureties, in the sum of one hundred dollars, conditioned that upon the termination of such license he shall remove all stakes and brush from the location therein described,' so the said section as amended shall read as follows:

Application for license to build or extend fish weirs.

-notice how

'Section 96. Any person intending to build or extend any wharf or fish weir or trap in tide waters, within the limits of any city or town, may apply in writing to the municipal officers thereof, stating the location, limits and boundaries, as nearly as may be, of such intended erection or extension, and asking license therefor. Upon receiving such application said officers shall give at least three days' public notice thereof, and shall

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therein designate a day on which they shall meet on or near the premises described, and examine the same. If upon such examination and hearing of all parties interested, said officers decide that such erection or extension would not be an obstruction to navigation, or an injury to the rights of others, and determine to allow the same, they shall issue a license under their hands —license, to the applicant authorizing him to make said erection or extension, and to maintain the same within the limits mentioned in such license, the applicant for license to build or extend a fish weir or trap as aforesaid first giving bond to the town, without —bond to town. sureties, in the sum of one hundred dollars, conditioned that upon the termination of such license he shall remove all stakes and brush from the location therein described.

when granted.

Section 2. The license for the building or extension of a fish License void, weir or trap issued under the provisions of the foregoing section shall terminate and become void unless such weir or trap shall be built within one year from the date of the license and maintained and operated in good faith for some part of each vear thereafter.

Section 3. Section ninety-nine of said chapter four is here- section 99, by amended so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

chapter 4.

'Section 99. No fish weir, trap or wharf shall be extended, Weirs and erected, or maintained except in accordance with this chapter; be extended in accordance and no fish weir, trap or wharf shall be erected or maintained herewith. in tide waters below low water mark in front of the shore or flats of another without the owner's consent, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each offence, to be recovered in an action of debt by the owner of said shore or flat. This chapter applies —applies to herring weirs and traps; but does not apply to other weirs and traps. or traps, the materials of which are chiefly removed annually, provided that such weirs or traps do not obstruct navigation nor interfere with the rights of others.

This section shall not affect any wharves so erected or main- shall not aftained on the twenty-first day of April, nineteen hundred one.' feet certain wharves.

Approved March 28, 1911.