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## Seventy-Eighth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

1917

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## CHAP. 22

**Chapter 22.**

An Act to Amend Section Sixty-seven of Chapter Forty-five of the Revised Statutes,  
Relating to Close Time on Scallops.

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

R. S., c. 45, § 67, relating to close time on scallops, amended. Section sixty-seven of chapter forty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all the words after "year" in the fourth line, and before the word "it," in the ninth line, said words being as follows: "But this section shall not apply to any of the waters of Penobscot bay, lying between lines running south from Naskeag Point on the east, and from Dice's Head, by the eastern shore of Islesboro, on the west, and including the waters of Bagaduce river; where scallops may be taken between June fifteenth and September fifteenth of each year," so that said amended section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 67. Penobscot bay and Bagaduce river included in general provisions. No person shall catch, buy or sell, expose for sale, give away, or have in his possession for any purpose any scallops, shelled or in the shell, between the fifteenth day of April and the first day of November of each year. It shall be unlawful to ship scallops so taken, out of the state. Whoever violates this section shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars, and in addition shall pay a penalty of five dollars for each and every gallon or part thereof of shelled scallops, so bought, sold, exposed for sale, given away or in his possession; and shall pay a penalty of five dollars for each one hundred scallops or any part thereof, in the shell, so bought, sold, exposed for sale, given away or in his possession; and any boat with its equipment, engaged and used in such unlawful catching or selling of scallops may be seized and detained by an officer or warden, not exceeding twenty-four hours, in order that it may be attached or taken by due process of law, to satisfy any judgment that may be recovered; but said boat and equipment shall be released at any time on payment of penalty and costs legally due. Scallop gear found on board any boat in close time shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.'

Approved March 8, 1917.

**Chapter 23.**

An Act to Amend Section Eighteen of Chapter Forty-five of the Revised Statutes,  
Relating to the Lobster License Law.

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

R. S., c. 45, § 18, relating to issuance of lobster licenses, amended. Section eighteen of chapter forty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended, by adding after the word "same" and before the word "such" in the seventeenth line, the following: 'A renewal of license need not be made upon application blanks, but such license can be renewed upon written request to the commissioner, accompanied by fee for same,' so that said amended section shall read as follows:

‘Sec. 18. Licenses may be renewed upon written request to commissioner, accompanied by fee. Application blanks not necessary. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries shall grant and issue licenses to any citizen of this state, or to any person who has resided in this state for one year immediately preceding the date of application for license, or to corporations or firms engaged in the lobster business located in this state or other states, to catch, take, hold, buy, ship, transport, carry, give away, remove, sell or expose for sale, within this state, and have in his or its possession, lobsters from the waters within the jurisdiction of this state, in the manner, at the time and subject to the regulations provided in sections seventeen to thirty-four, both inclusive. Applications for licenses shall be made upon special forms provided by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, and the said commissioner shall keep the clerks of the various cities, towns and plantations bordering on the seashore, and other clerks who request them, supplied with blank applications; said clerks shall keep a supply of the same on hand and furnish them to all applicants. All applications, when filled out, shall be forwarded to the office of said commissioner, together with the fees for same. A renewal of license need not be made upon application blanks, but such license can be renewed upon written request to the commissioner, accompanied by fee for same. Such licenses shall be granted to expire on the last day of November next succeeding the granting of the same, unless sooner revoked, as provided in section twenty, and each person, firm or corporation to whom licenses shall be granted, shall, for each license, pay to said commissioner the sum of one dollar for the use of the state, to be forwarded to the treasurer of state; which amounts shall be credited to and be a part of the funds to be used for operating expenses in the department of sea and shore fisheries. The commissioner, in his biennial report shall state the number of licenses granted, the names of the parties licensed and the amount of money received therefor. He shall issue to each person, firm or corporation licensed as aforesaid a certificate, stating the name of the person, firm or corporation to whom such license has been granted, the number of said license and the date of expiration of such license.

Approved March 8, 1917.

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## Chapter 24.

An Act to Amend Section Ten of Chapter Nine of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Employment of Assistance by the Board of State Assessors in the Reassessment of Real and Personal Property.

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

**R. S., c. 9, § 10, relating to concealment of property from taxation, amended.** Section ten of chapter nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word “cases” in the nineteenth line of said section the following: ‘Provided a satisfactory reassessment is not made by the local assessors, then the board of state assessors may employ assistance, from within or without the town where the reassessment is to be