

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Acts and Resolves

As Passed by the

## Seventy-Eighth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

1917

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Seventy-Seventh Legislature held in 1916.

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Private and Special Laws

OF THE

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**CHAP. 88**

**Sec. 12. Vitiated unless construction is begun within four years.** This act shall become null and void in four years from the time when the same takes effect, unless the town or its trustee shall have commenced the construction of its works under this charter.

Approved March 23, 1917.

## Chapter 88.

An Act to Provide for a County Law Library at Rumford in the County of Oxford.

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

**County to contribute to support of county law library at Rumford.** The treasurer of Oxford county shall annually pay to the treasurer of the Law Library Association of said county for the uses and benefits of the county law library at Rumford the sum of five hundred dollars; this sum being additional to the amount now provided by law for the use of the county law library at Paris in said county.

Approved March 23, 1917.

## Chapter 89.

An Act Amending Chapter One Hundred Twenty-one of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred Fifteen Relating to a Closed Time on Lobsters in Machias Bay and Adjacent Waters in the County of Washington.

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

**P. & S. L., 1915, c. 121, § 1, amended.** Section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred fifteen is hereby amended by striking out therefrom the following words: "thence to the nearest point of the mainland in the town of Cutler; thence following the line of said mainland to the point thereof nearest the island known as The Spindle near the entrance to Cross Island Narrows; thence to The Spindle and continuing in a direct line to the easternmost point of the island known as Double Head Shots and continuing thence due south for a distance of three miles;" and inserting therein in place thereof the following words: 'thence running south southwest two and three-fourths miles; thence south southeast one-half mile; thence south by west three-fourths west to the three mile limit; thence by said three mile limit to a point three miles due south from the easternmost point of Camp island, otherwise known as The Brothers;,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 1. Boundaries altered.** No person shall take, catch, kill, or destroy any lobsters between the first day of July and the thirty-first day of August, both inclusive, in each year, in any of the waters of Machias bay, or waters adjacent thereto, between the following described lines, to wit:

the easterly line beginning at a point where the dividing line between the towns of Machiasport and Whiting strikes the shore of Holmes bay, and continuing on said dividing line to Township Rock, so-called, in said Holmes bay; thence running south southwest two and three-fourths miles; thence south southeast one-half mile; then south by west three-fourths west to the three mile limit; thence by said three mile limit to a pont three miles due south from the eastermost point of Camp island, otherwise known as The Brothers; the westerly line beginning at Fan island at the mouth of Little Kennebec river, and running southerly to Hickey island; thence southerly to the easternmost point of Camp island, otherwise known as The Brothers, and continuing thence due south for a distance of three miles; and no person shall set a trap within said waters for the purpose of taking, catching, killing or destroying any lobsters between said dates, under a penalty of one dollar for each lobster so taken, caught, killed or destroyed, and under a penalty of five dollars for each lobster trap so set for said purpose. Provided, however, that this act shall not apply to lobsters confined in cars and not taken or caught by traps sets in violation hereof.'

Approved March 23, 1917.

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## Chapter 90.

An Act Authorizing the American Realty Company to Erect and Maintain Piers and Booms in the St. John River, in St. John and St. Francis Plantations.

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

**Sec. 1. Location.** The American Realty Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to erect and maintain piers and booms in the St. John river in the plantation of St. John and the plantation of St. Francis at a point near the lower end of Powers island and extending up the river to a point next to the international boundary line opposite the St. John station of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, and thence up said river to a point near the Ward & Bradbury mill in the plantation of St. Francis, for the purpose of sorting and holding their logs and lumber.

**Sec. 2. Navigation not to be impeded; common use of river not to be obstructed.** All piers and booms authorized by this act shall be erected and maintained in such a manner as not to impede navigation or unreasonably obstruct the common use of the river, especially not to hinder or delay the driving of logs and lumber at all times. All stray logs and lumber that may gather in said booms shall be turned out by the party or parties owning or operating the same at their own expense immediately upon the request of the owner.

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