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AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

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the assessors thereof in writing, under oath, stating the reason why such tax cannot be collected. The assessors, after due inquiry, may abate such tax or any part thereof, and shall certify such abatement in writing to the collector; and said certificate shall discharge the collector from further obligation to collect the tax so abated. When such abatement is made, a record thereof together with the name of the party or parties benefited by the abatement, and the amount of the abatement together with the reasons for such abatement, shall, within thirty days after such abatement, be made and kept in suitable book form open to the public at reasonable times, and a report of the same be made to the town at its annual meeting, and to the mayor and aldermen of cities, by the first Monday in each March.'

Approved March 31, 1923.

Chapter 132.

An Act to Repeal Sections Seventy-four, Seventy-five, Seventy-six and Seventy-seven, of Chapter Forty-five of the Revised Statutes, and Enacting a New Law for the Better Protection of Smelts.

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

R. S., c. 45, sec. 74, 75, 76 and 77; P. L., 1917, c. 71; relating to regulation of smelt fishing, repealed. Section seventy-four as amended by chapter seventy-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and sections seventy-five, seventy-six and seventy-seven of chapter forty-five of the revised statutes are hereby repealed and in lieu thereof the following be substituted:

'Uniform close time on smelt fishing established. No smelts shall be taken or fished for in any waters of the state between the first day of April and the first day of October of each year except by hook and line. Anyone violating any provision of this act shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars for each offense. Nothing in this act shall apply to smelts taken in fish weirs or traps maintained and operated for the catching of sardines and herring.'

Approved March 31, 1923.

Chapter 133.

An Act to Amend Section One Hundred and Twenty-two of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes, Relating to License for Building a Fish Weir or Trap.

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

R. S., c. 4, sec. 122; relating to when licenses to build fish weirs shall become void, amended. Section one hundred and twenty-two of chapter