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## Chapter 85.

### AN ACT Authorizing Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game to Take Necessary Steps to Exterminate Vermin.

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

R. S., c. 38, sec. 91; relating to vermin in game preserves. Section ninety-one of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "territory" in the fourth line thereof the following: 'except that the commissioner of inland fisheries and game is hereby authorized to use such means as may seem necessary to exterminate vermin of any description in all game preserves and sanctuaries and in any other localities where damage is being done,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 91. **Hunting or possession of firearms within limits of game preserves forbidden.** No person shall at any time hunt, chase, catch, kill or destroy any wild birds or wild animals or have in his possession firearms of any description within the limits of any game preserve or closed territory, except that the commissioner of inland fisheries and game is hereby authorized to use such means as may seem necessary to exterminate vermin of any description in all game preserves and sanctuaries and in any other localities where damage is being done.'

Approved March 20, 1931.

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## Chapter 86.

### AN ACT to Prohibit the Catching of Smelts in the Cathance River Except by Hook and Line.

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

P. L., 1925, c. 158, sec. 1; relating to smelts in Cathance river, amended. Section one of chapter one hundred fifty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-five is hereby amended by striking out, in the third line thereof, the words "above the iron bridge", so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 1. **Taking of smelts in tidal waters of Cathance river, regulated.** No smelts shall be caught, taken or fished for in any way other than by hook and line, except in nets of two-inch mesh or more, in the tidal waters of Cathance river, in the village of Bowdoinham, in the county of Sagadahoc.'

Approved March 20, 1931.