

## ACTS AND RESOLVES

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#### 650 TAKING OF ALEWIVES IN ST. GEORGE RIVER REGULATED CHAP. 46 PRIVATE AND SPECIAL, 1955

Sec. 3. Ordinances not inconsistent continued in force. All ordinances in force at the time when this charter takes effect, not inconsistent with the provisions of this charter, shall continue in force until amended or repealed.

All rules and regulations of the municipal officers and offices of the city of Gardiner in force at the time when this charter takes effect, not inconsistent with the provisions hereof, shall continue in force until amended or repealed.

Sec. 4. Existing contracts not invalidated, unless inconsistent. All rights, actions, proceedings, prosecutions, and contracts of the city or any of its departments, pending or unexecuted when this charter goes into effect and not inconsistent therewith shall be enforced, continued or completed in all respects as though begun or executed hereunder.

Sec. 5. Term of office, officers, boards. All officials, officers, trustees, members of commissions or departments now in office holding positions hereafter to be filled under the provisions of this charter by the city council or the city manager shall not serve out their present terms but shall continue in office only until their successors are appointed or elected and qualified as provided in this act.

Sec. 6. Repealing clause. In event this act is approved in the manner hereinbefore provided, all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Effective August 20, 1955

#### Chapter 45

AN ACT Regulating the Taking of Alewives in Georges River.

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

Taking of alewives in Georges river; regulation and penalty; exception. Whoever shall construct, set, maintain or use any net or seine in the waters of Georges river above a line drawn from Hooper's Point in the town of St. George, westerly past the northerly end of Caldwell's Island to a point opposite on the shore in the town of Cushing, for the purpose of taking or catching alewives between the 1st day of April and the 15th day of July, both days inclusive, shall be punished by a fine of \$50 for each offense; but nothing herein shall be construed to abridge or affect in any manner the rights and privileges now held by law by the town of Warren in the alewife fishing in the said Georges river.

Effective August 20, 1955

#### Chapter 46

AN ACT Regulating the Taking of Alewives in St. George River in the Town of Warren.

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

P. & S. L., 1949, c. 109, amended. The 2nd paragraph of chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1949 is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### DIGGING OF CLAMS IN BROOKLIN AND SEDGWICK PROHIBITED 651 PRIVATE AND SPECIAL, 1955 CHAP. 47

'The town at its annual town meeting may determine by vote whether the alewife fishing in these waters shall be operated by the town, through its selectmen or a committee appointed for that purpose, or the privilege offered for sale by said selectmen or committee; and likewise may provide for regulations, compatible with the general laws of the State, to govern the times when and the manner in which alewives shall be taken therein. Provided, however, that there shall be a 24-hour weekly closed season on alewives in all such waters from sunrise on each <u>Sunday</u> Saturday morning until sunrise on the following <u>Monday</u> Sunday morning.'

Effective August 20, 1955

#### Chapter 47

#### AN ACT Prohibiting Commercial Digging of Clams in Brooklin and Sedgwick, Hancock County.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment; and

Whereas, in the interest of conservation, the following legislation is vitally necessary to preserve one of Maine's greatest natural resources; and

Whereas, it is necessary to begin such conservation in the spring of 1955; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Digging of clams in Brooklin and Sedgwick, regulated. No clams shall be taken from the flats of Brooklin and Sedgwick, Hancock county, from May I to October I, both days inclusive. Nothing herein shall prohibit a resident or riparian owner of shores or flats in their respective towns from digging and taking in any one day not exceeding one-half bushel of clams therefrom for food for himself and family.

Any person taking clams contrary to the provisions of this chapter shall be punished for each offense by a fine of not more than \$25 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective March 18, 1955