

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1868

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 2, 1945.

The committee on Conservation, to whom was referred so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of Conservation (House, No. 27) as relates to the taking or having in possession of shad (accompanied by bill, House, No. 43), report the accompanying bill (House, No. 1868).

For the committee,

ORISON V. HULL.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Five.

### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAKING OR HAVING IN POSSESSION OF SHAD AND CERTAIN OTHER FISH.

1    *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would  
2 tend to defeat its purpose, which in part is to protect  
3 shad during the current season, therefore it is hereby  
4 declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the  
5 immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives  
in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the  
same, as follows:*

1    Section forty-five of chapter one hundred and  
2 thirty-one of the General Laws, as appearing in sec-  
3 tion two of chapter five hundred and ninety-nine of  
4 the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-one, is hereby  
5 amended by adding at the end of the schedule appear-  
6 ing therein the following: —

7    Shad . . . . . 6 - Apr. 15 to July 31, inc., —  
8 and by adding at the end the following paragraph: —

9    The provisions of this section shall apply only to the  
10 inland waters and to fish taken therefrom, and nothing  
11 therein shall be construed to affect or impair the  
12 powers and duties of the division of marine fisheries  
13 or its director.