

HOUSE No. 2223

By Mr. Dolan of Ipswich and Mrs. Corliss of Gloucester, petition of Charles W. Sibley relative to the regulation of the taking of fish from the coastal waters of the Commonwealth and the fees for licenses issued under such regulation. Natural Resources.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-One.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE REGULATION OF THE TAKING OF FISH FROM THE COASTAL WATERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND THE FEES FOR LICENSES ISSUED UNDER SUCH REGULATION.

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 1. Chapter 86 of the acts of 1931 is hereby amended
2 by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the
3 following section:—

4 *Section 1.* Except within an area beginning at a point twenty-
5 two degrees true, five tenths mile from Halibut Point, thence
6 running westerly two-hundred sixty seven degrees true, a dis-
7 tance of three and six tenths miles, thence running northwesterly
8 three-hundred twenty five degrees true, a distance of two and
9 three tenths miles, thence running northerly three-hundred fifty
10 degrees true to the Massachusetts-New Hampshire State line,
11 thence eighty-eight degrees thirty minutes true to the marine
12 boundary of the commonwealth, thence following along the
13 marine boundary of the commonwealth in a south and easterly
14 direction to a point six degrees true from Halibut Point, thence
15 one-hundred eighty six degrees true to the point of beginning,
16 it shall be unlawful for any person to use beam or otter trawls
17 to drag for fish in that part of the territorial waters of Massa-
18 chusetts lying between the New Hampshire line and a line ex-
19 tending from the water tower on Winthrop Head through the
20 Graves Lighted, near the entrance of Boston Harbor, to the
21 marine boundary of the commonwealth.

1 SECTION 2. Said chapter 86 is hereby further amended by
2 striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following
3 section:—

4 *Section 2.* No person, either as principal, agent or employee,
5 shall at any time take or attempt to take fish from the coastal
6 waters with an otter trawl or other similar apparatus designed
7 for, or adapted to, the taking of fish unless licensed so to do,
8 subject to the provisions of section one.

1 SECTION 3. Said chapter 86 is hereby further amended by
2 striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following
3 section:—

4 *Section 3.* The director of the division of marine fisheries may
5 establish rules and regulations relative to the carrying out of
6 the provisions hereof and may issue licenses in accordance with
7 said provisions. The fees for such licenses shall be as follows:—

Fishing vessel (Otter trawler) owned within the commonwealth	\$25.00
Fishing vessel (Otter trawler) owned without the commonwealth	50.00
Resident citizen	10.00
Nonresident citizen	20.00

8 Licenses shall be issued upon such conditions and subject to
9 such regulations as the director may deem necessary for the
10 proper management of a fishery.

1 SECTION 4. Said chapter 86 is hereby further amended by
2 inserting after section 3 the following section:—

3 *Section 4.* This act shall not affect any provision of any general
4 law or other special law relating to the use of otter trawls or
5 other similar methods of fishing in any particular place, except
6 as provided in section one.

1 SECTION 5. Said chapter 86 is hereby further amended by
2 inserting after section 4, as appearing in section four of this act,
3 the following section:—

4 *Section 5.* Violation of any provision of this act or of any
5 rule or regulation made under its authority shall be punished
6 by a fine of one hundred dollars and the license shall be suspended
7 for one month for the first offense, three months for the second
8 offense and any boat or vessel together with all equipment used
9 and any fish taken or held, in violation of this act, may be

10 seized in accordance with section nine of chapter one hundred
11 and thirty of the General Laws and may be forfeited. The
12 possession, control, tending or setting of a drag, otter trawl or
13 similar contrivance within said waters, shall be deemed to be a
14 violation of this act.

1 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect on February first, nine-
2 ten hundred and sixty-one.

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