

HOUSE No. 240.

[Bill accompanying the petition of the selectmen of Fairhaven and others. Fisheries and Game.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred.

AN ACT

Relative to the Protection of Clams and Quahaugs in
the Town of Dartmouth.

*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. No persons shall take any clams
2 or quahaugs from the flats or beds in the town of
3 Dartmouth within one year from the passage of
4 this act, except as hereinafter provided.

1 SECTION 2. Either of the selectmen of said
2 town may give permits in writing to any person
3 to take from the flats in said town one-half bushel
4 of clams and one-half bushel of quahaugs, includ-
5 ing shells, in any one week. But any inhabitant

6 of said town may, without such permit, take from
7 the flats or beds in said town one-half bushel of
8 clams and one-half bushel of quahaugs, including
9 shells, in any one week. Forks and nets shall not
10 be used at any time below low-water mark. This
11 act shall not restrict the taking of sea clams, so
12 called, or of any other shell-fish, except said clams
13 and quahaugs, by the inhabitants of said town of
14 Dartmouth.

1 SECTION 3. Whoever violates any of the pro-
2 visions of this act shall be punished by a fine of
3 not less than twenty nor more than one hundred
4 dollars or by imprisonment in the house of cor-
5 rection for a term not exceeding six months.

1 SECTION 4. District courts and trial justices
2 shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the su-
3 perior court of all offences under this act.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.