

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2225

By Mr. Harrison of Gloucester, petition of David E. Harrison and another for legislation to regulate further the taking of lobster and edible crabs in certain waters of the Commonwealth. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE TAKING OF LOBSTER AND EDIBLE CRABS IN CERTAIN WATERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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

1 Chapter 130 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 adding the following section:—  
3 *Section 39A.* No person shall tend, lift, raise or draw a  
4 lobster or crab pot or trap, or catch or take lobster or edible  
5 crabs from the coastal waters by any means from the Massa-  
6 chusetts-New Hampshire line, to a line drawn from the  
7 Tower on Point Allerton, East North East sixty-five degrees  
8 true through Thieves Ledge Buoy near the entrance of  
9 Boston Harbor to the Marine Boundry of the commonwealth  
10 except during the period from one half hour before sunrise  
11 until five o'clock postmeridian, except that traps may be  
12 taken up by the owner or by his employee or agent, if  
13 licensed under section thirty-eight, at any time when they are  
14 endangered by storms, and except that the director, a coastal  
15 warden or deputy may at any time lift, raise or draw such pot  
16 or trap with its contents if any, for the purpose of inspection  
17 provided in this chapter. Violation of this section shall be  
18 punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one  
19 hundred dollars.

