

HOUSE . . . No. 1703

By Mr. Small of Truro, petition of the Chatham Fisherman's Association and others for legislation to prohibit during certain months the use of beam or otter trawls in taking fish from certain waters between Cape Cod and Nantucket. Conservation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Six.

An Act prohibiting, during Certain Months of the Year, the Use of Beam or Otter Trawls in taking Fish from Certain Territorial 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 SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful, between May first
2 and October thirty-first, both dates inclusive in any
3 year, for any person to use beam or otter trawls to
4 drag for fish in that part of the territorial waters of
5 the commonwealth lying easterly of the easterly line
6 specified in chapter sixty-six of the acts of nineteen
7 hundred and thirty-one and the easterly shore of
8 Monomoy and Cape Cod, from a point in an imagi-
9 nary line between said Monomoy and Great Point
10 in the town of Nantucket, distant one marine league
11 south of said Monomoy Point and thence extending
12 northerly to an imaginary line drawn easterly from
13 Nauset Three Lights.

1 SECTION 2. Violation of this act shall be punished
2 by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than
3 fifty dollars.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.