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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1065

H. P. 898 House of Representatives, February 27, 1981 Referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Randall of East Machias.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Establish a 50¢ Bounty on Porcupines.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- 12 MRSA § 7504, sub-§ 7-A is enacted to read:
- 7-A. Porcupines. A bounty on porcupines is established as follows.
- A. The commissioner shall pay a bounty of 50¢ to persons for each porcupine they kill.
- B. To collect the bounty, claimants shall exhibit the carcass to any game warden within 72 hours of killing the porcupine. The game warden shall pay the bounty, take a receipt for the bounty from the claimant and sever and dispose of the feet of the porcupine.
- C. Bounties for porcupines shall be paid from the fund established under section 7074.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Porcupines are an increasingly common pest in many areas and they can do serious property damage. This bill establishes a 50¢ bounty on porcupines to help control their numbers.