

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 116th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 643

H.P. 485

House of Representatives, February 23, 1993

**An Act to Restrict the Taking of Turtles and Snakes from the Wild for  
Export, Sale or Commercial Purposes.**

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Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 24.  
Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative NICKERSON of Turner.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: GREENLAW of Standish, ROTONDI of Athens, TRACY of Rome.

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

4 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7471 is enacted to read:

6 §7471. Taking of snakes and turtles from the wild for commercial purposes

8 The taking and possession of snakes and turtles from the  
10 wild for export, sale or commercial purposes, except snapping  
turtles taken in accordance with section 7470, are prohibited.

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14 STATEMENT OF FACT

16 This bill brings the State into conformity with other  
northeastern states and is designed to prevent the detrimental  
exploitation of wild snakes and turtles.