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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

- AN ACT to Amend Section Thirty-seven of Chapter Thirtythree of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seventeen, Relating to the Protection of Moose.
- Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
 Section thirty-seven of chapter thirty-three of the revised
 2 statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred nineteen of
 3 the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen, is hereby
 4 amended by striking out all of said section and substituting
 5 therefor the following section:
 - 'Sect. 37. Whoever at any time, hunts, pursues or kills 2 any cow moose or calf moose, or has in possession any

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3 part, or parts thereof, whenever or wherever taken, caught 4 or killed, shall pay a fine of two hundred dollars and costs 5 for each offense, or be imprisoned not exceeding four 6 months, or shall be subject to both said fine and imprison-7 ment; the term "calf moose" as herein used, shall be con-8 strued to mean that these animals are calves until they are 9 at least one year old, and have at least two prongs or tines 10 not less than three inches long to each of their horns.

No person shall between the first day of December of each 2 year and the twentieth day of November of the following 3 year, both days inclusive, hunt, take, catch, kill or have 4 in possession any bull moose, or part thereof, whenever 5 or wherever taken, caught or killed, nor shall any person 6 between the twenty-first day of November and the thirtieth 7 day of November of each year, both days inclusive, take, 8 catch, kill or have in possession more than one bull moose 9 or part thereof, under a penalty of not less than one hun-10 dred nor more than two hundred dollars and costs for each 11 offense, or imprisonment for sixty days, or both said fine 12 and imprisonment.

No person or corporation shall carry or transport from 2 place to place any bull moose or part thereof in close sea-3 son, nor in open season unless open to view, tagged and 4 plainly labeled with the owner's name and residence, and 5 accompanied by him while being transported and identified 6 by him at such places as the commissioner of inland fish-7 eries and game shall have designated by publication in the

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8 daily newspapers in the state, under a penalty of one hun-9 dred dollars and costs for each bull moose, or part thereof. to transported or carried in violation of any provision of this II section; any person not the actual owner of such bull moose, 12 or part thereof, who, to aid another in such transportation, 13 falsely represents himself to be the owner thereof, shall 14 be liable to the same penalty; and it shall be prima facie 15 evidence that such bull moose, or part thereof, that is being 16 transported or carried in violation of any provision of this 17 section, was illegally killed. No person shall, under the 18 same penalty, sell or give away any moose, or part thereof, 19 to be transported or carried beyond the limits of this state, 20 nor shall any person, under the same penalty, buy or ac-21 cept as a gift, any moose, or part thereof, to so transport 22 the same; nor shall any resident of this state, under the .23 same penalty, carry or transport, in any manner, beyond 24 the limits of this state, any moose or part thereof.

Whoever lawfully kills a bull moose, shall, while the same, 2 or any part thereof, is being transported, preserve and 3 transport it with the evidence thereon of the sex of the 4 same, under a penalty of three hundred dollars and costs, 5 and forfeiture to the state of the moose, or part thereof, 6 being transported in violation of this requirement.

Provided, however, that a resident of Maine who has 2 lawfully killed a bull moose, may send the same to his 3 home, or to any hospital in the state, without accompany-4 ing the same, by purchasing of the commissioner of inland

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5 fisheries and game, or of a duly appointed agent, a trans-6 portation tag, and said tag shall be attached to the bull 7 moose, or part thereof, being transported, paying therefor 8 a fee of five dollars.

Provided, further, that any non-resident who has law-2 fully killed a bull moose may send the same to his home 3 by presenting to the agent of a transportation company 4 his non-resident hunting license, whereupon the agent, after 5 satisfying himself that the person presenting the moose is 6 the person described in the license, shall detach from said 7 license the two moose coupons and shall attach one to the 8 moose, or part thereof, offered for shipment, and said 9 coupon shall remain attached to the moose, or part there-10 of, while it is being transported in this state; the other 11 moose coupon shall be duly filled out by said transportation 12 agent and forwarded to the commissioner of inland fish-13 eries and game at Augusta, Maine.'