

EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 68

House of Representatives, February 9, 1921.

Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and 500 copies ordered printed in concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Senator Cobb of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend Section Forty-five of Chapter Thirtythree of the Revised Statutes as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen-Two Hundred and Forty-four of the Laws of Maine of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, and Chapter One Hundred and Ninety-six of the Laws of Maine of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Regarding Law on Beaver.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section forty-five of chapter thirty-three of the revised
2 statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and nineteen3 two hundred and forty-four of the laws of Maine of nine4 teen hundred and seventeen, and chapter one hundred and
5 ninety-six of the laws of Maine of nineteen hundred and

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6 nineteen is hereby amended by striking out all of said sec-7 tion and inserting in place thereof the following:

Whoever, from the fifteenth day of November to the 2 thirty-first day of the following October, both days in-3 clusive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches any beaver, 4 or whoever has in possession at any time any beaver or 5 part thereof taken in close season, shall pay a fine of one 6 hundred dollars and costs for each beaver so taken, caught 7 or killed.

Whoever traps, catches or kills any beaver in said open 2 season shall forward the skins thereof to the commissioner 3 of fish and game, who shall sell the same and pay to said 4 trapper one-half the net amount received for said skins, 5 and place the other half to the credit of the fish and game 6 department.

During said open season the trapping of beaver shall be 2 governed by the same laws now governing the trapping of 3 other fur-bearing animals.

Whoever takes, kills or handles any beaver, or beaver 2 skins, in violation of this act shall be punished by a fine 3 of one hundred dollars and costs for each one so taken or 4 handled.

It shall also be unlawful, under the same penalty, for any 2 person, firm or corporation to sell, give away, buy, accept 3 as a gift, offer for transportation or transport any beaver, 4 or beaver skins, in violation of any provision of this act.'

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are here-2 by repealed.