

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 429

H. P. 950 House of Representatives, Feb. 11, 1931.

Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and
500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Farris of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Use of Certain Traps or Other
Devices for the Capture of Fur Bearing Animals.

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

Section sixty-two of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following words: 'No person other than an inland fish and game warden shall use, set, maintain or tend any trap or other device for the capture of fur bearing animals which is likely to cause continued suffering to an animal caught therein and which is not designed to kill such animal at once or take it alive unharmed and the penalty for the violation of this act shall be a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars and costs for each offense. This act shall not apply to traps or other devices for protection against vermin if set or maintained not more than one hundred yards from any building or cultivated plot of land to the use of which the presence of vermin may be detrimental. The decision of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game as to what constitutes a proper trap or other device within the meaning of this act, shall be final,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 62. No person shall at any time hunt with a dog, jack-light, artificial light, snare, trap, swivel, pivot or set gun, any deer, caribou or moose. No person other than an inland

fish and game warden shall use, set, maintain or tend any trap or other device for the capture of fur bearing animals which is likely to cause continued suffering to an animal caught therein and which is not designed to kill such animal at once or to take it alive unhurt and the penalty for the violation of this act shall be a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars and costs for each offense. This act shall not apply to traps or other devices for protection against vermin if set or maintained not more than one hundred yards from any building or cultivated plot of land to the use of which the presence of vermin may be detrimental. The decision of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game as to what constitutes a proper trap or other device within the meaning of this act, shall be final.'