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NINETY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Dutton of Bingham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Bounty on Bears.

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

R. S., c. 38, § 79, amended. Section 79 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 79. Bounty on bears. A bounty of \$10 shall be paid for each and every bear killed in organized townships and plantations to the person killing the same by the treasurer of the organized township or plantation or by the treasurer of any adjoining township in which said bear was killed. These bounties shall be paid by the treasurers of said towns or plantations.

No bounty shall be paid unless claimant within 24 48 hours after he has killed such animal exhibits to the town treasurer the entire skin thereof or the entire animal for the killing of which such bounty is claimed, and sign a certificate under oath, which said treasurer may administer, stating that he killed such animal and the time and place within the state. Such certificate must be approved by and bear the signature of the fish and game warden or warden supervisor in whose district the animal was killed stating that he believes the bear to have been killed at the time and place stated therein. The skin of all bears on which bounty is claimed must be stamped and sealed by the warden or warden supervisor in whose district the same was killed, with implements provided by the commissioner of inland fisheries

and game. The town treasurer shall then pay the bounty and take the claimant's report therefor upon the same paper with such certificates and the town treasurer shall make upon the same paper, at the time of his monthly report, a certificate under oath addressed to the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, that all the requirements of law have been met by the claimant and that the bounty has been paid to him.

The certificate shall be in the following form:

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATE

To the treasurer of the town of
I hereby certify that on the day of A. D., 19 at in the state of Maine, I killed the bear, the skin of which I now exhibit to you, and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.
Dated at
Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year aforesaid.
Treasurer of
I believe that the bear was killed at the time and place stated herein.
This day of
Game Warden
CLAIMANT'S RECEIPT
On this day of, A. D., 19, I received of
treasurer of dollars, being the
bounty allowed by law for killing the bear described in the above certificate.
TOWN TREASURER'S CERTIFICATE
To the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game:
I hereby certify that as required by law of on the day of A. D., 19, at exhibited to me the whole of the skin of a bear, which I found to have been

stamped and sealed by a warden, and then paid the said bounty, for which I have taken his receipt as above.

..... Justice of the Peace

The bounty so paid by the town treasurer shall be reimbursed by the state out of the fees for licenses for dogs upon presentation of the claim as here-inbefore set forth and any expense incurred by the department of inland fisheries and game incident to the enforcement of this section, shall also be taken from the fees for licenses for dogs, and so much of the fees received for dog licenses as may be necessary to pay said bounties and any expense incident thereto, is hereby appropriated to pay the same.'