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W. Earle Bradbury, Chief Warden
Attention Mr. Malloy
John G. Marshall, Deputy

Inland Fisheries and Game
Attorney General

In answer to your inquiry whether or not Section 96 of Chapter 38, R. S. 1930, permits the seizure and libeling of guns or firearms in cases involving the violation of any of the sections of that chapter. The language used in the chapter is as follows:

"Any boat, car, conveyance or equipment used or possessed in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be contraband and shall be forfeited to the state."

Section 46 appears in the revision of 1930 and was in effect at the time the Legislature amended Section 96.

The question is whether or not the word "equipment" would include a firearm, and it would seem that it would because it is a necessary piece of equipment in hunting and it would also include any other piece of apparatus used in the taking of wild life against the prohibition of the statute.

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Deputy Attorney General

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