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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Shute of Farmington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Establishing a State-wide Open Season on Deer.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 2353, amended. The first 10 paragraphs of section 2353 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

There shall be an open season on deer in each calendar year in all counties of the State during the month of November.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2501, amended. Section 2501 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2501. Open season

~~There shall be an annual open season from October 1st to October 14th in the Northern Zone as described in section 2353 for the purpose of hunting deer with bow and arrow only.~~

~~There shall be an annual open season from October 1st to October 20th in the Central Zone as described in section 2353 for the purpose of hunting deer with bow and arrow only.~~

There shall be an annual open season during the month of October ~~in the Southeastern and Southwestern Zones as described in section 2353~~ for the purpose of hunting deer with bow and arrow only, except that on the Island of Isleboro in Waldo County there shall be an open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow during the months of October and November of each calendar year. During the month of October any person hunting deer on Isleboro shall be

licensed as provided in section 2502. During the month of November any person hunting deer on Isleboro shall be licensed in accordance with section 2401.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 12, § 2502, amended. The first paragraph of section 2502 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is amended to read as follows:

An archery license shall be issued by the commissioner to take deer under this chapter, the fee for which shall be \$5 for hunting deer by residents of this State and \$15.25 for hunting deer by nonresidents; ~~except that such archery licenses shall also permit the hunting of such wild birds and animals which can be legally hunted from October 1st to October 14th of each calendar year in the Northern Zone, from October 1st to October 20th in the Central Zone and during the month of October in the Southeastern and Southwestern Zones~~ **during the month of October.** Archery deer tags shall be issued for use in the same manner as regular deer tags. If a person does take a deer with bow and arrow during the special season provided in section 2501, he is precluded from further hunting for deer during that year. If a person does not take a deer with a bow and arrow during the special season provided in section 2501, he is not precluded from obtaining a hunting license for the regular open season.