

STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

104th LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 79, L.D. 239, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Lengthening the Open Season on Beaver by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game."

Amend said Bill by striking out the Title and inserting in place thereof the following Title: 'An Act Relating to the Open Season on Beaver.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

<u>'R. S., T. 12, §2360, amended.</u> The 2nd paragraph of section 2360 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Whenever the commissioner shall cause the beaver season to be lengthened, shortened or closed, he shall cause said change in the season, or closing of the season, (to be reduced) to writing and publish the same once in a newspaper having state-wide circulation and once in a newspaper published in the county where the waters are situated and which are affected thereby. Said publica-tions shall be prior to October 15th preceding such lengthening, shortening or closing of the beaver season. The commissioner shall file a certified copy of any change in the regular beaver season, or closing of the season, with the Secretary of State and with the clerk of the Superior Court of the county in which the waters affected are situated prior to November 1st preceding such lengthening, shortening or closing of the beaver season. If unusual conditions should adversely affect the beaver popu-lation in any area of the State during an open season, the commissioner may declare an emergency and close the season at any time. The commissioner shall, prior to November 1st of each year, forward to the holder of each state-wide trapping license an abstract of the forthcoming beaver season.

Proposed by Senator HOFFSES of Knox.

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