

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 99

House of Representatives, January 12, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelley of Southport.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**AN ACT** Relating to Shooting at or Near Wildlife Decoys.

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

**R. S., T. 12, § 2466-A, amended.** Section 2466-A of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 175 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

**§ 2466-A. Shooting at or near wildfowl decoys**

It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot, or shoot at, **or near**, any wildfowl decoy of another within the territorial limits of this State, with a rifle, pistol or shotgun with a ball, slug or buckshot. Any person so convicted shall be punished in accordance with section 3060. **For the purpose of this section "near" shall mean that area encompassed by the set of decoys including that area 50 yards away from the outer perimeter of the set of decoys.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would amend the law to expand that crime and prohibit the shooting near decoys since there have been several near misses of hunters when other hunters were shooting at but not hitting decoys.