

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1450

H. P. 1114

House of Representatives, March 12, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelley of Southport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing for a State-wide Open Deer Season.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 2353, amended. The first 6 paragraphs of section 2353 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced and as amended, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: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 from the 5th Monday preceding Thanksgiving to the Saturday following Thanksgiving.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2501, amended. The first paragraph of section 2501 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 12, § 2501, amended. The first sentence of the 2nd paragraph of section 2501 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

There shall be an annual open season from **the first Monday of October 1st to November 3rd for the year 1972 in the Southern Zone to the beginning of the regular deer hunting season** 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.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 12, § 2502, amended. The first sentence of section 2502 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 46 of chapter 622 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

An archery license shall be issued by the commissioner to hunt deer from the first Monday of October to the beginning of the regular deer hunting season as described in section 2353 under this chapter, the fee for which shall be \$6.50 for hunting deer by residents of this State and \$42.50 for hunting deer by nonresidents; the fee of 50¢ to be retained by the issuing agent; 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 24th for the year 1971 and from October 1st to October 22nd in the year 1972 in the Northern Zone and from October 1st to November 5th for the year 1971 and from October 1st to November 3rd for the year 1972 in the Southern Zone~~ the first Monday of October to the beginning of the regular deer hunting season as described in section 2353.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.