

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 2319**

H. P. 1829

House of Representatives, January 8, 1974

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelley of Southport.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FOUR

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**AN ACT to Regulate the Size of Shot in Shotgun Shells for  
Waterfowl Hunting.**

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

R. S., T. 12, § 2466, amended. Section 2466 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

No person shall use for hunting waterfowl any shot larger in size than #2. Wardens shall have authority to demand and open shells to check the size of shot. The warden shall pay for any shell or shells so opened at the current retail price. The use of single ball cartridges or single slugs is not prohibited by this section.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This legislation is designed to reduce the number of woundings of persons who are shot with buckshot or other similar shot and to also reduce the loss of game birds and animals or crippling by the use of such shot.