

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1467

H. P. 1242

House of Representatives, April 7, 1977

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Torrey of Poland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Permit Farmers to Shoot Marauding Animals.

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

12 MRSA § 2354, sub-§ 7, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 231, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

7. Destruction of property. Any person may lawfully take or kill any wild animal, night or day, excepting beaver, or any wild bird, except a bald eagle, found in the act of damaging, injuring or destroying that person's domestic animals, fowl or property. Any person may lawfully use lights and firearms when investigating suspected destruction of his property by wild animals on property he owns or rents.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the law regarding a person's right to investigate disturbances caused by wild animals and to take or kill any wild animal causing damage to his property.