

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Governor's Bill  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1885**

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H. P. 1760

House of Representatives, January 25, 1980

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk of the House

Presented by Mr. Dow of West Gardiner.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY

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**AN ACT to Prohibit Trapping by Game Wardens, except in the Line of Duty.**

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

**12 MRSA § 7054** is enacted to read:

**§ 7054. Wardens prohibited from trapping**

**No game warden may trap at any time, unless the trapping is within the scope of and in the course of his employment and duties as a game warden.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to preserve the integrity of the warden service by eliminating any appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest between economic interest of a game warden as a trapper, while at the same time having enforcement responsibilities of a game warden to enforce the laws relating to trapping.