

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 502

H. P. 455

House of Representatives, January 29, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Locke of Sebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Provide for a Closed Season on Black Bear from the First Monday Following Thanksgiving to September 1st.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 7451, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, is amended to read:

A. There shall be a closed season on hunting bear from the first Monday following Thanksgiving to ~~April 30th~~ **September 1st** of the next calendar year.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 7451, sub-§ 1, ¶¶ B and C, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, are repealed.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides that the closed season on bear runs from the first Monday following Thanksgiving to September 1st instead of from the first Monday following Thanksgiving to May 1st. Wildlife authorities indicate that extending the closed season to this time would give the cubs a proper amount of time to develop their own self-sufficiency.