

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1410
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7 H.P. 1071

House of Representatives, April 5, 1983

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

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative McGowan of Pittsfield.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT Relating to Coyote Control.
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19 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
20 follows:

21 12 MRSA c. 723 is enacted to read:

22 CHAPTER 723

23 COYOTES

24 §7971. Coyote

25 1. Areas of State designated. The commissioner
26 shall designate those areas of the State with dense
27 coyote population or where substantial damage has
28 been done to wildlife or domestic animals by coyotes.

29 2. Trappers. When areas have been designated
30 pursuant to subsection 1, the department shall pre-

1 pare lists of local trappers within those areas.
2 Trappers shall be selected from these lists and shall
3 be authorized by the department to trap or eradicate
4 coyotes until the population has been reduced to a
5 number deemed satisfactory by the department.

6 3. Compensation. The department shall compen-
7 sate trappers under this section at a rate to be
8 established by the commissioner.

9 4. Rules. The commissioner may, in accordance
10 with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5,
11 chapter 375, promulgate rules to carry out the pur-
12 poses of this section.

13 STATEMENT OF FACT

14 The purpose of this bill is to provide a system
15 for the identification of areas in the State where
16 coyotes are a problem and to reduce the coyote popu-
17 lation in those areas.

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