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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document No. 1217

H.P. 858 House of Representatives, April 4, 1985

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Smith of Island Falls.
Cosponsored by Senator Black of Cumberland, Representative Erwin of Rumford and Representative Bell of Paris.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Authorize an Award System to Aid in Coyote Control.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA c. 709, sub-c.IV-A is enacted to read:

SUBCHAPTER IV-A

COYOTE AWARD PROGRAM

§7521. Coyote Award Program

1. Award program established. The commissioner shall, by rule, establish an award program for coyotes killed within the State. The program shall include the following awards for coyotes killed during the time established by the commissioner for the program:

A. Largest female coyote killed.....$3,000;

B. Largest male coyote killed.....$1,000;

C. Most female coyotes killed.....$3,000;

D. Most male coyotes killed.....$1,000; and

E. Most total coyotes killed.....$2,000.

2. Payment. At the conclusion of the program, the commissioner shall pay from the Coyote Award Fund to the individual determined by the commissioner to have qualified as the winner in each of the categories set out in subsection 1, paragraphs A, B, C, D and E, an amount equal to the award set out for that category in subsection 1.

3. Rule. The commissioner may, by rule, establish procedures for applications for awards and for certification of the number, sex and size of coyotes killed.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1985-86
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT OF,	
Coyote Award Fund	
All Other	$10,000

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to authorize an award system for coyotes killed in the State. This will help control coyotes and will alleviate some of the considerable damage done to farm animals and wildlife in this State.

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