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H.P. 503 House of Representatives, March 6, 1987 Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Presented by Representative PARADIS of Old Town. (By Request)

STATE OF MAINE

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

L	AN ACT to Prevent the Use of Leg Hold Traps
2	for Trapping Animals Within Areas
}	Designated as Residential Within
ŀ	Organized Towns.
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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7432, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

6. Trapping near compact, built-up portion of a municipality. A person is guilty, except as provided in subsection 14, paragraph A, of trapping near the compact, built-up or residential portion of a municipality if he traps within one mile of the compact, built-up or residential portion of a municipality.

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1 2	Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7432, sub-§14, ¶A, as amended by 1985, c. 369, §16, is further amended to read:	
3	A. Notwithstanding subsection 6: 700	
4 5 6 7	(1) A person may trap within 1/2 one mile of the built-up or residential portion of a eity or willage municipality by the use of water sets for mink and muskrat; and	
0	(2) A person who has a written permit from the landowner may trap on that landowner's land with cage-type live traps and with water sets within 1/2 mile of the built-up portion of a city or village.	
13	STATEMENT OF FACT	
14 15 16 17	This bill further restricts trapping of animals in residential areas of municipalities. Domestic animals have been injured by such practices and have had to be destroyed as a result.	