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In Senate, January 26, 1993

An Act to Allow Hunting of Small Game Animals on Sundays.

Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LUTHER of Oxford. (BY REQUEST). Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook, Representative RUHLIN of Brewer.

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	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7406, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420,
4	\$1, is amended to read:
6	4. Hunting on Sunday. A person is guilty, except as provided in subsection 20, paragraph C, of hunting on Sunday if
8	he that person hunts wild animals or wild birds on Sunday.
10	Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7406, sub-§20, ¶C is enacted to read:
12	C. Notwithstanding subsection 4, a person may hunt small
14	game, which is any species of wild animal or wild bird that may be lawfully hunted under a small game hunting license, on Sundays during an appropriate open season on that species
16	of small game.
18	Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7945, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is amended to read:
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22	Pessessien At any time other than during an open season on any species of small game, possession of firearms in the fields or forests or on the waters or ice in the State or in a motor
24	vehicle being operated on an unpaved highway or road located in an unorganized township on Sunday is prima facie evidence of a
26	violation of section 7406, subsection 4, unless:
28	STATEMENT OF FACT
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32	This bill allows the hunting of small game on Sundays during open seasons on small game.