

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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116th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 798

S.P. 260

In Senate, March 4, 1993

An Act Regarding the Baiting of Animals.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HALL of Piscataquis.

Cosponsored by Senators: KIEFFER of Aroostook, LUTHER of Oxford, O'DEA of Penobscot,
Representatives: FARREN of Cherryfield, JACQUES of Waterville, MARSH of West Gardiner,
NICKERSON of Turner.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7406, sub-§17-A is enacted to read:**

6 **17-A. Baiting wild birds or wild animals.** A person is
8 guilty of baiting a wild bird or wild animal if, during the open
10 hunting season on a wild bird or wild animal, that person places
12 bait, salt or any food to entice wild birds or wild animals to
14 that location or any person hunts over that bait. This
16 prohibition does not apply to:

18 A. Baiting bear during the baiting season on bear;

20 B. Baiting coyote between December 15th and July 31st; and

22 C. Baiting of traps during the fur-trapping season.

24 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

This bill makes it illegal to place bait out for wild birds
or wild animals to attract them to a hunting location during the
open hunting season on a wild bird or wild animal.