

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 942

S.P. 317

In Senate, February 22, 2005

### An Act To Prohibit Shooting Wild Turkey Decoys

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WOODCOCK of Franklin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11224** is enacted to read:

6 **§11224. Shooting at or near wild turkey decoys**

8 **1. Shoot or shoot at decoy.** A person may not with a  
firearm, a bow and arrow or a cross bow shoot or shoot at a wild  
turkey decoy of another person.

10 A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil  
12 violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more  
than \$500 may be adjudged.

14 B. A person who violates this subsection after having been  
16 adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations  
under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a  
18 Class E crime.

20 **2. Shoot within area of another person's decoys.** A person  
may not with a firearm, a bow and arrow or a crossbow shoot  
22 within an area encompassed by a set of another person's wild  
turkey decoys, including the area 50 yards away from the outer  
24 perimeter of the set of decoys.

26 A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil  
violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more  
28 than \$500 may be adjudged.

30 B. A person who violates this subsection after having been  
adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations  
32 under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a  
Class E crime.

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36 **SUMMARY**

38 This bill prohibits the shooting at or near wild turkey  
decoys with a firearm, a bow and arrow or a crossbow and  
40 establishes penalties for violations.