

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 46.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and thirty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. No person shall kill or expose for sale, 2 or have in his or her possession after the same has been 3 killed, any woodcock, or ruffed grouse, commonly 4 called "partridge," except during the times and for 5 the purposes hereinafter mentioned, namely : Any per- 6 son may, for the purpose of consumption as food within 7 this state, lawfully kill, expose for sale, or have in 8 possession, any woodcock between the fourth day of 9 July in any year and the first day of December follow- 10 ing, both days inclusive ; or any ruffed grouse between 11 the first day of September in any year and the first 12 day of December following, both days inclusive.

SECT. 2. No person shall kill, or expose for sale, or
2 have in possession, except alive, at any time, any
3 woodcock or ruffed grouse with the intention of send-
4 ing or transporting, or of having the same sent or
5 transported beyond the limits of this state, under a
6 penalty of not less than five nor more than ten dollars
7 for each woodcock or ruffed grouse thus killed, exposed
8 for sale, or had in possession.

SECT. 3. Section one of chapter two hundred and
2 thirty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and
3 seventy-four, is hereby amended by striking out all of
4 said section after the words "section one," and insert-
5 ing in the place thereof the following words, viz :
6 " No person shall kill or have in his possession, except
7 alive, or expose for sale any wood-duck, English snipe,
8 or woodcock between the first day of December and
9 the fourth day of July following ; or kill any ruffed
10 grouse, commonly called 'partridge,' between the first
11 day of December and the first of day September follow-
12 ing, or have the same in possession, except alive, or ex-
13 pose for sale, between the fifth day of December and first
14 day of September following ; or kill, sell, or have in
15 possession, except alive, any quail or pinnated grouse,
16 commonly called 'prairie chicken,' between the first
17 day of January and the first day of September follow-
18 ing, under a penalty of not less than five no more than

19 ten dollars for each bird so killed, or had in possession,
20 or exposed for sale.”

SECT. 4. Sections four and five of chapter two hun-
2 dred and thirty-nine, of the public laws of eighteen
3 hundred and seventy-four, are hereby made applicable
4 to this act, the same as they would have been had the
5 preceding sections of this act been incorporated in said
6 act of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, between the
7 sections therein numbered four and five.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 31, 1876. }

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ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*