

# Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

#### HOUSE.

No. 201.

# STATE OF MAINE.

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-THREE.

AN ACT for the protection of beaver for a period of four years.

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

SECTION 1. No person shall take, catch, kill or destroy 2 any beaver, in any manner whatever, for a period of five 3 years from the date of the approval of this act. Any 4 person who violates the provisions of this act, shall be 5 punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars, and costs, for 6 each beaver so taken, caught, killed or destroyed, and 7 shall be committed to jail until such fine and costs have 8 been fully paid. Any person who has in his possession, 9 during said period of five years, the hide or carcass 10 of any such animal, or any part thereof, shall be

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11 deemed a violator of the provisions of this act, and shall12 be punished as herein provided; but he shall not be13 precluded from producing evidence in defence.

SECT. 2. One-half of the fines recovered for violation 2 of the provisions of this act, shall be paid to the com-3 plainant, and the other half shall be paid to the county 4 where the offence is committed.

SECT. 3. Trial justices, municipal and police courts, 2 shall have jurisdiction of all offences committed in viola-3 tion of the provisions of this act, and, upon complaint, 4 may issue warrants for the arrest of persons violating the 5 provisions of this act, and punish such persons as herein 6 provided.

SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with 2 this act, are hereby repealed.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 25, 1893.

Reported by Mr. STODDARD of Washburn, from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, read twice and ordered printed under joint rules. W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.