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Seventy-first Legislature.

HOUSE.

11 herewith.

No. 187

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT providing for a license for non-residents to hunt moose and deer.

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

Section I. It shall be unlawful for any person not a bona 2 fide resident of the State, and actually domiciled therein, to 3 hunt, pursue, take, or kill any bull moose or deer at any time 4 without having first procured a license therefor as herein-5 after provided. Such licenses shall be issued by the com-6 missioners of inland fisheries and game, upon application 7 in writing and the payment of fifteen dollars, and under 8 such rules and regulations to be established by them, and 9 approved by the Governor and Council, as may be required 10 to carry out the true intent of this act and not inconsistent

All money received for such licenses shall be forthwith paid 13 to the State treasurer, and then expended by the commis-

14 sioners in the protection of moose and deer, under the direc-15 tion of the Governor and Council.

Provided, however, that the commissioners of inland fish-17 eries and game shall have authority to adjust and pay, out 18 of the funds received for such licenses, for actual damage 19 done growing crops by deer.

Provided, further, that the Governor and Council shall have 21 authority to allow the commissioners of inland fisheries and 22 game, out of the funds received for licenses and fines, such 23 compensation as they may deem just and fair for the addi-24 tional work required of them in carrying out the provisions 25 of this act.

Provided, also, that the Governor's Council shall, as often 27 as they see fit, examine the books, accounts and vouchers of 28 the commissioners of all moneys received by them for all 29 licenses or other fees and make a report thereon to the Gov-30 ernor.

Sect. 2. Each license shall be provided with three coupons, 2—one of which shall permit the transportation of the carcass 3 of one bull moose, or part thereof, and shall be divided into 4 two sections, lettered "A" and "B" respectively, and shall 5 be called the "moose" coupon; the two other coupons shall 6 permit the transportation of the carcass of one deer, or part 7 thereof, each, and shall be divided into two sections each, 8 lettered "C" and "D" and "E" and "F" respectively, and 9 shall be called the "deer" coupons.

The holder of a non-resident hunting license shall be entitled II to offer for transportation and have transported, within or 12 without this State, by any railroad company, express com-13 pany, boat, or other transportation company, the carcass of 14 one bull moose, or part of he carcass of one bull moose that he 15 himself has lawfully killed, on the "moose" coupon attached 16 to his said license; also the carcass of one deer, or part of the 17 carcass of one deer, that he himself has lawfully killed, on

18 each of the "deer" coupons attached to his said license, by 19 presenting to the agent of any transportation company his 20 license, with the coupons attached to the license at the time 21 when he shall offer the moose or deer for shipment. The 22 agent receiving the carcass, or part of a carcass, for shipment 23 shall, if it is a moose, detach section "A" from the "moose" 24 coupon of the license, cancel the same by writing or stamping 25 thereon the date and place of shipment and his initials, and 26 shall forward the same forthwith to the commissioners of 27 inland fisheries and game, at Augusta, Maine; section "B" 28 of said coupon shall be likewise cancelled and shall be 29 attached to the carcass, or part of the carcass, of the bull 30 moose offered for shipment and shall remain attached to the 31 same while it is being transported in this State.

In case of deer received for shipment, the license must be 33 presented to the agent with the coupons attached as afore-34 said, and, if but one deer is offered for shipment, the agent 35 shall detach section "C" from the first "deer" coupon and shall 36 cancel it and forward the same to the commissioners of inland 37 fisheries and game as aforesaid, and section "D" of said 38 coupon shall be likewise cancelled and attached to the car-39 cass of the deer, or part thereof, offered for shipment and 40 shall remain attached to the same while it is being trans-41 ported in this State.

In case two deer are offered for shipment the agent receiv-43 ing the same for shipment shall detach sections "C" and "E" 44 from the deer coupons and after cancelling the same shall 45 forward them to the commissioners as aforesaid, and sections 46 "D" and "F" shall likewise be cancelled and attached to the 47 carcasses of the deer, or parts thereof, offered for trans-48 portation and shall remain attached to the same while it is 49 being transported in this State.

It shall be unlawful to transport any bull moose or deer, or 51 parts thereof, within this State, for any non-resident, other-52 wise than as provided herein.

Any agent, servant or employee of any transportation com-54 pany, railroad company, express company, boat or common 55 carrier who shall receive for shipment or transport, or have 56 in his possession with intent to ship or transport, any carcass 57 of a bull moose, or part of the same, or any carcass of a deer, 58 or part of the same, for a non-resident, except as herein pro-59 vided, or who shall refuse or neglect to detach the sections 60 of the coupons as herein provided, or who shall fail to for-61 ward to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, at 62 Augusta, Maine, as herein provided, the sections of coupons 63 by him detached, shall be punished by a fine of not less than 64 \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00 and costs for each offense.

- Sect. 3. Whoever is found guilty of violating any of the 2 provisions of this chapter, or who shall furnish to another 3 person, or permit another person to have or use any license 4 or coupon issued to him, or shall change or alter the same in 5 any manner, or shall have or use any license or coupon issued 6 to another person, or any registered guide who shall guide 7 any non-resident in hunting who has not a license to hunt 8 as herein provided, shall be punished by a fine of not less 9 than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00 and costs for each offense. Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this 2 act are hereby repealed.
 - Sect. 5. This act shall take effect July 1st, 1903.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, Augusta, February 25, 1903.

Reported by Mr. GANNETT of Augusta, from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.