

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 525

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*House of Representatives, Mar. 10, 1911.*

*Reported by Mr. Clark from committee on Inland Fisheries  
and Game and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to protect Eider Ducks; also to amend Section seven of Chapter thirty-two of the Revised Statutes relating to Game Birds, to amend Section twelve of Chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five relating to Wild Birds, and to repeal Section five of Chapter ninety of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and nine relating to Loons.

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

Section 1. There shall be an annual close time in which  
2 no person shall hunt, chase, catch, kill or have in possession,  
3 whenever or however killed, any eider duck, commonly  
4 called sea duck, from the first day of February to the first  
5 day of the following October in each year.

Sect. 2. All the provisions of Section seven of Chapter

2 thirty-two of the Revised Statutes relative to hunting, chas-  
3 ing, catching, killing, having in possession, selling and trans-  
4 porting wood duck and other ducks therein mentioned, are  
5 hereby made to apply to the first Section of this act.

Sect. 3. Section seven of Chapter thirty-two of the Re-  
2 vised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out after the  
3 word "sandpipers" in the eighth line of said Section seven  
4 the words "from the first day of May to the first day of  
5 August" and inserting in place of the words so stricken  
6 out, the following: 'from the first day of December to the  
7 first day of the following August.'

Sect. 4. Section twelve of Chapter one hundred and  
2 thirty-two of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five  
3 is hereby amended by striking out of the fourth, fifth and  
4 sixth lines of said Section the words "In addition to the  
5 wild birds that may be killed at any time the following shall  
6 be included: Mud hens, so called, kingfishers, and blue  
7 herons, so called," so that said Section twelve as amended  
8 shall read as follows:

'Sect. 12. Chapter thirty-two of the Revised Statutes  
10 is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following  
11 Section:

'Sect. 61. It shall be unlawful to kill an eagle or vulture  
13 at any time under a penalty of ten dollars and costs for each  
14 offense.'

Sect. 5. Section five of Chapter ninety of the Public Laws

2 of nineteen hundred and nine relating to loon is hereby  
3 repealed.

Sect. 6. The commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game  
2 are hereby authorized to cause the destruction of any mud  
3 hens, so called, kingfishers, blue herons, so called, or loons  
4 found in or around any fish hatchery or feeding station in  
5 this state.