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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 231

House of Representatives, March 4, 1921.

Reported by Mr. Wilson from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend Section Fifty-one of Chapter Thirty-three of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seventeen and by Chapters One Hundred Ninety-six and Two Hundred Forty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to the placing of Bear Traps.

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

Section fifty-one of chapter thirty-three of the revised stat-2 utes, as amended by chapter two hundred nineteen of the 3 public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen, and by chap-

- 4 ters one hundred ninety-six and two hundred forty-nine of
- 5 the public laws of nineteen hundred nineteen, is hereby

6 amended by striking out all of said section and by substitut-7 ing therefor the following section:

'Sect. 59. No person shall at any time set a snare or a 2 swivel, pivot or set gun for any fur-bearing animal, under 3 a penalty of one hundred dollars and costs for each offense, 4 and by imprisonment for sixty days, and shall forfeit any 5 such snare, swivel, pivot or set gun, and any fur-bearing 6 animal found in such snare, or killed by such swivel, pivot 7 or set gun, to any person finding the same; nor shall any 8 person at any time set any trap or traps of any kind for 9 any wild animal without having the trap or traps plainly 10 labeled with his full name and address, either by having the II same stamped on the trap, or on a metal tag firmly attached 12 to the trap, under a penalty of five dollars and costs for each 13 offense and in addition thereto five dollars for each trap 14 set and not marked as provided herein, and shall forfeit 15 the trap or traps, and any wild animal found therein; pro-16 vided, further, that no person shall set a bear trap at any 17 time unless the same is enclosed in a hut, so-called, or by 18 at least two strands of barbed wire, one four and one five 19 feet from the ground, said wire to be securely held in posi-20 tion and to be not less than five yards at any point from 21 the enclosed trap, under a penalty of fifty dollars and costs 22 for each offense.'