

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

H. P. No. 1154

H. D. No. 347

House of Representatives, March 11, 1925.

Reported by Mr. Frost of Eastport from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Regulate the Taking of Muskrats in Certain Territory in Washington, Hancock and Oxford Counties.

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

Section 1. For a period of three years from the time this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, kill, pursue or catch any muskrat, or muskrats, in or on the banks of the East Machias River, or any tributary thereto, in the County of Washington, or in any lake connected therewith, or in or on the banks of Hoyt's Brook, so-called, in the town of East Machias, in said County of Washington.

For a period of two years from the time this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, kill, pursue or catch any muskrat, or muskrats, in the town of Bucksport, or in the town of Orland, in the County of Hancock.

For a period of five years from the time this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, kill, pursue or catch any muskrat, or muskrats, in Bryant Pond, or Lake Christopher, so-called, which waters are situated in the town of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford.

It shall also be unlawful for any person to have in possession, at any time, any muskrat, or muskrats, or part thereof, taken in violation of any provision of this section.

Sect. 2. Whoever violates any provision of this act shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten dollars and costs for each offense, and three dollars additional for each muskrat hunted, killed, trapped, pursued, caught, or had in possession, in violation hereof.

Sect. 3. Trial Justices, Police and Municipal Courts, within their respective counties shall have upon complaint, original and concurrent jurisdiction with the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Courts in all prosecutions arising under this act.