

NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Regulate the Hunting of Rabbits or Wild Hares.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section forty-nine of chapter two hundred and nineteen
2 of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, as
3 amended by chapter fifty-three of the public laws of nine4 teen hundred and twenty-three, is hereby amended by strik5 ing out all of said section and by substituting therefor the
6 following section:

'Sect. 49. There shall be an annual closed season on wild 2 hares or rabbits in the counties of Androscoggin, Sagadahoc 3 and York during the months of March, April, May, June, 4 July, August and September of each year, and in the counties

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5 of Aroostook, Washington, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscata-6 quis, Somerset, Franklin, Oxford, Kennebec, Knox, Lin-7 coln, Waldo and Cumberland during the months of April, 8 May, June, July, August and September of each year, during 9 which respective closed seasons it shall be unlawful for any 10 person to hunt, kill, catch, pursue or have any rabbits or 11 parts thereof in possession, *except alive*.

'No person shall use any snares, traps or other devices in 2 the hunting, pursuing or killing of wild hares or rabbits, or 3 hunt or kill the same *except* in the ordinary method of shoot-4 ing with guns in the usual manner; provided, however, it 5 shall be lawful to catch wild hares or rabbits in common 6 box traps during the open seasons provided in this section. 7 Provided, further, it shall be unlawful for any person to 8 have in possession or transport at any time any wild hares 9 or rabbits taken in violation of any provision of this sec-10 tion. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall **#1** pay a fine of ten dollars and costs for each offense.'