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EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

H. P. No. 748

H. D. No. 447

House of Representatives, March 23, 1925.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Frost of Eastport.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Issuance of Permits to Propagate Game Birds, Game and Fur-bearing Animals.

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

The last paragraph of section five of chapter two hundred

- 2 and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and
- 3 seventeen, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty-
- 4 four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen
- 5 and by chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the public
- 6 laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, is hereby amended
- 7 by striking out all of said paragraph and by substituting
- 8 therefor the following paragraph:

'He may issue permits to any person, firm or corporation 2 to engage in the business of propagating game birds, game 3 or fur-bearing animals, under such regulations as he shall 4 establish. He may issue to any person, firm or corporation 5 permit to fence in or enclose land not exceeding twenty-6 five acres in area for the above named purpose. When it 7 appears that such application is made in good faith, and 8 upon the payment of an annual fee of two dollars, said 9 commissioner may issue to the applicant a breeder's license 10 permitting the breeding and rearing of any species of game II birds, game or fur-bearing animals within such enclosure. 12 Provided, however, if such permit is for the breeding of 13 black foxes, silver foxes, silver black foxes, silver gray 14 foxes, blue foxes or any other foxes except common red 15 foxes, the licensee shall, on the thirty-first day of Decem-16 ber of each year, pay an additional fee of one dollar for 17 each fox owned by him or had in his possession in this 18 state during the year then closing. Such licensed breeders 19 may at any time sell, transport or kill and sell, and any 20 person, firm or corporation may purchase, have in posses-21 sion or transport, any game birds, game or fur-bearing ani-22 mals raised by virtue of the provisions of this section, un-23 der such regulations as said commissioner may establish. 24 Whoever engages in the business of breeding or rearing 25 any game birds or game or fur-bearing animals at any 26 time without first having procured a breeder's license as 27 provided in this section, shall be subject to a penalty of not

28 less than ten, nor more than fifty dollars and costs for each 29 offense and five dollars additional for each game bird or 30 game or fur-bearing animal raised or had in possession in 31 violation of any provision of this section.'