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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 526

S. D. No. 220

In Senate, March 12, 1925.

Reported by Senator Crafts from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Prohibit the Taking of Firearms into Unorganized Townships Between September Tenth and December Tenth of Each Year.

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

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, except a

- 2 law enforcement officer on official duty, to have in posses-
- 3 sion, at any time, in any unorganized township of the state,
- 4 from the tenth day of September to the tenth day of the
- 5 following December, both days inclusive, any firearm or
- 6 firearms.

The possession of any firearm or firearms in the fields or

- 2 forests or on the waters of any unorganized township from
- 3 the tenth day of September to the tenth day of the follow-
- 4 ing December, both days inclusive, except as herein pro-
- 5 vided, shall be prima facie evidence of violation of this law.

Provided, however, that the provisions of this act shall

- 2 not be construed as prohibiting any person residing in any
- 3 unorganized township from using a firearm for the pur-
- 4 pose of killing at any time any wild animal, except beaver,
- 5 or any wild bird found destroying his property, or as apply-
- 6 ing to the possession of firearms by paymasters for timber-
- 7 land owners under permit of the commissioner of inland
- 8 fisheries and game, or to the possession of shotguns by
- 9 licensed hunters and trappers, or to the possession of twen-
- 10 ty-two calibre rifles under permit from the commissioner
- 11 of inland fisheries and game for target practice at summer
- 12 camps within such territory.
 - Sect. 2. Whoever violates any provision of this act shall
 - 2 be subject to a penalty of not less than ten nor more than
- 3 one hundred dollars and costs for each offense.