

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 165

S. P. 146

House of Representatives, Feb. 15, 1927.

Ordered, That there be printed 500 copies of Senate Paper 146, Bill An Act Relating to the Protection of Fur-bearing Animals.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Senator Lord of York.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Protection of Fur-bearing Animals.

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

Section 1. The first paragraph of section forty-six, of
2 chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of
3 nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended by chapter one
4 hundred and thirty-three of the public laws of nineteen hun-
5 dred and nineteen, as amended by chapter two hundred and
6 nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-
7 one, as amended by chapter two hundred and fourteen of
8 the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, and
9 as amended by chapter eighty-seven of the public laws of
10 nineteen hundred and twenty-five, is hereby amended by

11 striking out all of said paragraph and by substituting there-
12 for the following paragraph:

‘Sect. 46. Whoever, from the first day of March to the
2 thirty-first day of the following October, both days inclu-
3 sive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches any fur-bearing
4 animal (except bears, muskrats, beaver, bobcats, loup-cervier,
5 Canada lynx and weasels), or whoever from the first day
6 of May to the thirtieth day of the following November, both
7 days inclusive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches any
8 muskrat or muskrats in the County of Androscoggin, Cum-
9 berland, York, Sagadahoc, Kennebec, Lincoln, Waldo or
10 Knox, or whoever from the fifteenth day of May to the
11 thirty-first day of the following October, both days inclu-
12 sive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches any muskrat or
13 muskrats in the County of Washington, Hancock, Aroos-
14 took, Penobscot, Piscataquis, Franklin, Somerset or Oxford,
15 or whoever has in possession at any time any fur-bearing
16 animal or part or parts thereof taken in closed season shall
17 pay a fine of ten dollars and costs for each offense and in
18 addition thereto three dollars for each fur-bearing animal
19 hunted, trapped, killed, pursued, caught or had in possession
20 in violation hereof. Provided, however, that, for a period
21 of three years from July seventh, nineteen hundred and
22 twenty-five, it shall be unlawful, under the same penalty,
23 for any person to hunt, trap or pursue any muskrat or
24 muskrats on Cobbosseecontee Stream, or any tributary to
25 said stream, from the outlet of Cobbosseecontee Lake to

26 the reservoir dam at New Mills, so-called, in the City of
27 Gardiner, which waters are situated partly in the county of
28 Kennebec and partly in the county of Sagadahoc, except
29 during the month of April of each year. It shall also be
30 unlawful, under the same penalty, for any person to have
31 in possession at any time any muskrat or muskrats taken in
32 the portion of Cobbosseecontee Stream above named, or in
33 any tributary to said stream, in violation of the provisions
34 of this act.'

Sect. 2. Said section is hereby further amended by strik-
2 ing out all of the last paragraph of said section.