

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 329

H. P. 271 House of Representatives, March 4, 1927.

Ordered, That 500 copies be printed of House Paper 271,
An Act Relating to a Bounty on Porcupines or Hedgehogs.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Forhan of Canton.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Bounty on Porcupines or Hedgehogs.

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

A bounty of twenty-five cents for each and very porcu-
2 pine, or hedgehog, so called, killed in any town or unincor-
3 porated place, in the state, shall be paid by the treasurer
4 of such town to the person killing it. If the animal is killed
5 in an unincorporated place, the bounty shall be paid by the
6 treasurer of an adjoining town, if any, otherwise by the
7 treasurer of the nearest town. No bounty shall be paid
8 unless the claimant within ten days after he has killed such
9 animal or has returned from the hunting, in which he killed
10 it, exhibits to the town treasurer, the entire nose and feet
11 thereof, in as perfect a state as when killed, except natural

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12 decay, and signs and makes oath to a certificate, in which
 13 he shall state that he killed such animal, and the time and
 14 place, showing it to be within the state; the treasurer shall
 15 thereupon entirely destroy said nose and feet by burning;
 16 then he shall pay the bounty and take the claimant's receipt
 17 therefor upon the same paper with such certificate. The
 18 town treasurer shall immediately make upon the same paper
 19 a certificate, under oath, addressed to the treasurer of state,
 20 that he first destroyed said nose and feet by burning, and
 21 then paid said bounty to the claimant. Said certificates and
 22 receipts shall annually, in December, be transmitted to the
 23 treasurer of state, and by him laid before the governor and
 24 council as early as convenient; and when allowed by them
 25 shall be paid by the treasurer of state to such towns. The
 26 certificate shall be in the following form:

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATE

To the treasurer of.....: I hereby certify that on
 2 the.....day of.....A. D. 19..., at.....,
 3 in the state of Maine, I killed the porcupine or hedgehog,
 4 the nose and feet of which I now exhibit to you; and I
 5 claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.

Dated at....., this.....day of.....
 2 A. D. 19...

..... Claimant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year afore-
 2 said.

.....Treasurer of.....

CLAIMANT'S RECEIPT

On this.....day of.....A. D. 19..., I
2 received of....., treasurer of.....,
3dollars, being the bounty allowed by law for
4 killing the porcupine or hedgehog described in the above
5 certificate.

..... Claimant.

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that as required by law, I first destroyed
2 by burning the nose and feet of the porcupine or hedgehog
3 described in the foregoing certificate, and then paid to said
4the bounty for which I have taken his receipt
5 as above.

Dated at....., this.....day of.....
2 A. D. 19...

.....Treasurer of.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year afore-
2 said.

.....Justice of the Peace.