

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Regulate the Hunting of Wild Birds in the Waters
of Merrymeeting Bay.**

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

Section 1. A game sanctuary shall be established in
2 Merrymeeting Bay bounded as follows: On the north by
3 a line drawn from a marker at the head of Butler's Point
4 and running in a westerly direction to the north end of Big
5 Brick Island, thence southerly along the eastern shores of
6 Big and Little Brick Island to the south end of Little Brick
7 Island, thence southeasterly to a marker on the shore of
8 Black Water Cove and thence northerly along the shore
9 back to the original starting point.

Within this sanctuary it shall be unlawful at any time to
2 shoot, shoot at, molest or pursue game or game birds of any
3 description, providing, however, that boats may pass through
4 without incurring any penalty.

Sect. 2. Not more than twelve live decoys shall be allowed
2 in any one flock in the waters of Merrymeeting Bay and its
3 tributaries. Only one flock at the same time may be placed
4 in the water by one boat, or blind. No flock of decoys shall
5 be placed nearer than fifty yards to a flock already set or
6 being set.

Sect. 3. No boat shall be allowed in the waters of Merry-
2 meeting Bay and its tributaries for hunting purposes earlier
3 than one and one-half hours before sunrise, nor shall any
4 duck decoys be allowed to remain in said waters between
5 the hours of sunset and one hour before sunrise.

Sect. 4. Whoever violates any of the preceding sections
2 of this act shall pay a fine of not less than ten dollars nor
3 more than forty dollars for each offense and nothing in this
4 act shall be construed as changing the closed season on wild
5 birds from sunset to half an hour before sunrise the fol-
6 lowing morning.