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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:

The first paragraph of section forty-six of chapter two 2 hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hun-3 dred and seventeen, as amended by chapter one hundred 4 and thirty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and 5 nineteen, as amended by chapter two hundred and eighteen 6 of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, as 7 amended by chapter two hundred and fourteen of the pub-8 lic laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, as amended 9 by chapter eighty-seven of the public laws of nineteen hun-10 dred and twenty-five, is hereby further amended by striking 11 out in lines one and eight thereof the word "fifteenth" and 12 by substituting therefor the words 'thirty-first,' so that said 13 paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

'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, loupcer-5 vier, Canada lynx and weasels), or whoever from the first 6 day of May to the thirtieth day of the following November, 7 both days inclusive, hunts, traps, kills, pursues or catches 8 any muskrat or muskrats in the county of Androscoggin, 9 Cumberland, York, Sagadahoc, Kennebec, Lincoln, Waldo 10 or 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 Ox-15 ford, or whosoever has in possession at any time any fur-16 bearing animal or part or parts thereof taken in closed sea-17 son shall pay a fine of ten dollars and costs for each offense 18 and in addition thereto three dollars for each fur-bearing 19 animal hunted, trapped, killed, pursued, caught or had in 20 possession in violation hereof. Provided, however, that, for 21 a period of three years from July seventh, nineteen hun-22 dred and twenty-five, it shall be unlawful, under the same 23 penalty, for any person to hunt, trap or pursue any musk-24 rat or muskrats on Cobbosseecontee stream, or any tribu-25 tary to said stream, from the outlet of Cobbosseecontee lake

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26 to the reservoir dam at New Mills, so-called, in the city of 27 Gardiner, which waters are situated partly in the county 28 of 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 32 in the portion of Cobbosseecontee stream above named, or 33 in any tributary to said stream, in violation of the provisions 34 of this act.'