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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 124

S. P. 332

In Senate, Feb. 18, 1927.

Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence..

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Dunbar of Hancock.

STATE OF MAINE

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

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

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

Section fifty, of chapter two hundred and nineteen, of the

2 public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended

3 by chapter two hundred and forty-four of the public laws

4 of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and by chapter one

5 hundred and ninety-six of the public laws of nineteen hun-

6 dred and nineteen, and by chapters fifty-five and seventy

7 of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five,

8 relating to the trapping of fur-bearing animals, is hereby

9 amended by inserting after the word "purposes" in the first

10 paragraph of said section the following sentence:

'The provisions of this section shall be construed as apply-

2 ing to all persons who are hunting foxes, rabbits raccoons 3 and skunks, with dog and gun,' so that said paragraph, as 4 amended shall read as follows:

'Section 50. Whoever hunts, captures or traps any fur-2 bearing animal, or animals, except bobcats, loupcerviers or 3 Canada lynx, anywhere in the state, shall annually procure 4 a license therefor from the commissioner of inland fisheries 5 and game, paying therefor a fee of ten dollars for such 6 hunting or trapping: provided, however, that the annual fee 7 for such hunting or trapping within the limits of the cities, 8 towns and plantations of the state shall be five dollars; 9 provided, further, that whoever hunts, captures or traps any to beaver on any land anywhere in the state opened to beaver II trapping by said commissioner shall pay therefor a fee of 12 twenty-five dollars annually. The provisions of this section 13 shall not be construed as applying to minors under sixteen 14 years of age who desire to hunt or trap fur-bearing animals 15 except beaver (for which a twenty-five dollar trapping li-16 cense is required) in any of the organized townships of the 17 state, nor as affecting the right of a bona fide resident of 18 this state, or his immediate family, to hunt or trap fur-19 bearing animals, (except beaver) in accordance with the 20 laws of the state, without such trapping license, on land 21 owned by him or on land leased by him and on which he 22 is actually domiciled within the limits of an organized town-23 ship, and which land is used exclusively for agricultural 24 purposes. The provisions of this section shall be construed

25 as applying to all persons who are hunting foxes, rabbits, 26 raccoons and skunks, with dog and gun.

'Each person licensed under the provisions of this section 2 shall, on or before the thirty-first day of December of each 3 year, make such report to said commissioner as may be 4 called for by him.'