

EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 157

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Douglas of Hancock.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Issuance of Permits to Propagate Game Birds, Game and Fur-bearing Animals.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: The last paragraph of section five of chapter two hundred 2 and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and 3 seventeen, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty-4 four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, 5 as amended by chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the 6 public laws of nineteen hundred and ninety-six of the 7 one hundred nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred 8 twenty-five, is hereby further amended by striking out in the 9 twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth lines thereof the 10 words "the licensee shall, on the thirty-first day of Decem-

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11 ber of each year, pay an additional fee of one dollar for
12 each fox owned by him or had in his possession in this state
13 during the year then closing," so that said paragraph, as
14 amended, shall read as follows:

'He may issue permits to any person, firm or corporation 2 to engage in the business of propagating game birds, game 3 or fur-bearing animals, under such regulations as he shall 4 establish. He may issue to any person, firm or corporation 5 permit to fence in or enclose land not exceeding twenty-five 6 acres in area for the above named purpose. When it ap-7 pears that such application is made in good faith, and upon 8 the payment of an annual fee of two dollars, said commis-9 sioner may issue to the applicant a breeder's license per-10 mitting the breeding and rearing of any species of game 11 birds, game or fur-bearing animals within such enclosure. 12 Provided, however, if such permit is for the breeding of 13 black foxes, silver foxes, silver black foxes, silver grav 14 foxes, blue foxes or any other foxes except common red 15 foxes. Such licensed breeders may at any time sell, trans-16 port or kill and sell, and any person, firm or corporation 17 may purchase, have in possession or transport, any game 18 birds, game or fur-bearing animals raised by virtue of the 19 provisions of this section, under such regulations as said 20 commissioner may establish. Whoever engages in the busi-21 ness of breeding or rearing any game birds or game or fur-22 bearing animals at any time without first having procured a 23 breeder's license as provided in this section, shall be subject

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24 to a penalty of not less than ten, nor more than fifty dollars 25 and costs for each offense and five dollars additional for 26 each game bird or game or fur-bearing animal raised or had 27 in possession in violation of any provision of this section.'