

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 96

House of Representatives, Jan. 22, 1931.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Smith of Masardis.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Relative to Advance Baiting of Deer.

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

Section sixty-one of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding in the twelfth line of the second paragraph thereof, after the word "salt", the words 'or any other bait or food' so that said second paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Provided, however, that if a deer is found doing actual, substantial damage to any growing cultivated crops, the cultivator of such crops may kill the deer, and may consume said deer in his own family but not otherwise; but he shall not pursue the deer beyond the limits of his cultivated land in which the damage is being done; provided, that whoever kills a deer in accordance with the provisions herein contained shall forthwith give notice in writing to the commissioner of inland fisheries and game of the fact of such killing and the character and estimated amount of damage done; whoever fails to give such notice shall in no wise be protected by the provisions hereof. Whoever shall cultivate any crops for the manifest purpose of killing deer under the provisions of this paragraph shall in no wise be protected thereby; and it shall be unlawful to place salt or any other bait or food in any place for the purpose of enticing deer thereto. Any dead deer found in the woods not having a tag identifying the owner thereof shall be subject to seizure and confiscation by the department.'