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Legislative Document

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H. P. 1456

House of Representatives, February 16, 1937.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Peakes of Milo.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

I N T H E Y E A R O F O U R L O R D N I N E T E E N H U N D R E D
T H I R T Y - S E V E N

A N A C T R e l a t i n g t o B o u n t y o n F o x e s .

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

R. S., c. 38, § 77, amended. Section 77 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 77. Bounty on bobcat, loup cervier, Canada lynx and fox. There shall be a bounty of \$15 for every bobcat, loup cervier and Canada lynx, and \$2 for every fox which is killed within the state, to be paid by the treasurer of state to the person killing the same upon compliance with the following conditions. No bounty shall be paid unless the claimant, within 5 days after he has killed such animal, exhibits to the town treasurer the entire skin thereof, with the ears, nose and tail thereon in as perfect a state as when killed, except natural decay, and signs a certificate under oath which said treasurer may administer, stating that he killed such animal and the time and place within the state. Such certificate must be approved by and bear the signature of the warden or chief warden in whose district the animal was killed, stating that he believes the cat to have been killed at the time and place stated therein, and the treasurer shall thereupon cut off the whole of the tail from the skin and forward the same by mail to

the commissioner, together with the claimant's certificate in the following form:

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATE

To the treasurer of the town of

I hereby certify that on the.....day of..... A. D., 19....at.....in the state of Maine, I killed the bobcat, loupcevrier, ~~or~~ Canada lynx, **or fox**, the skin of which I now exhibit to you, and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.

Dated at.....this.....day of..... A. D., 19.....

.....Claimant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year aforesaid.

Treasurer of.....

It is believed that the cat was killed at the time and place stated herein.

This.....day of.....

.....

Game Warden

And the treasurer of said town shall make and send at once to the commissioner a certificate in the following form:

TOWN TREASURER'S CERTIFICATE

To the commissioner of inland fisheries and game:

I hereby certify that as required by law..... of.....on the.....day of..... A. D., 19....at.....exhibited to me the whole of the skin of a bobcat, loupcevrier, ~~or~~ Canada lynx, **or fox**, and signed and made oath to the following certificate:

To the treasurer of the town of.....

I hereby certify that on the.....day of..... A. D., 19....at.....in the state of Maine, I killed the bobcat, loupcevrier, ~~or~~ Canada lynx, **or fox**, the skin of which I now exhibit to you, and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.

Dated at.....this.....day of..... A. D., 19.....

.....Claimant.

I further certify that I cut off the whole of the tail from the skin of the bobcat, loupcevrier, ~~or~~ Canada lynx **or fox** described in this certificate, and enclose the same herewith.

Dated at.....this.....day of.....
A. D., 19....

Treasurer of the town of.....

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year aforesaid.....
.....Justice of the Peace.

Upon receipt by the state controller of a certificate from the commissioner showing that said commissioner has received the tail of the bobcat, loup cervier, ~~or~~ Canada lynx **or fox** from the treasurer sent as aforesaid, together with said treasurer's certificate, said controller shall audit the claim for bounty and the same shall be paid forthwith by the treasurer of state to the claimant from fines and penalties recovered and money received, or collected under any provision of the inland fish or game laws, or amendments thereof, or for sale of any seized or confiscated articles. After the foregoing appropriation has been exhausted, any further bounties shall be paid from the general appropriation of the department of inland fisheries and game, and if said appropriation is not exhausted any balance thereof shall revert to the general funds of the department of inland fisheries and game. The town treasurer for administering the oath to a claimant's certificate as above, and for forwarding the same with the tail of the animal to the commissioner shall be paid by the claimant the sum of 25 cents.'