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Legislative Document

No. 658

H. P. 1560

House of Representatives, February 14, 1939.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Noyes of Franklin.

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

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

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:

P. L., 1917, c. 219, § 5, amended. The last paragraph of section 5 of chapter 219 of the public laws of 1917, as amended by chapter 244 of the public laws of 1917 and by chapter 196 of the public laws of 1919, and chapter 115 of the public laws of 1927, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

‘Licensees for breeding all foxes except common red foxes shall pay, on December 31 an additional fee of \$1 for each fox owned or had in possession during year. He may issue permits to any person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of propagating game birds, game or fur-bearing animals, under such regulations as he shall establish. He may issue to any person, firm or corporation permit to fence in or enclose land not exceeding 25 acres in area for the above named purpose. When it appears that such application is made in good faith, and upon the payment of an annual fee of \$2, said commissioner may issue to the applicant a breeder’s license permitting the breeding and rearing of any species of game birds, game or fur-bearing animals within such enclosure. **Provided, however, if such permit is for the breeding of black foxes, silver foxes, silver black foxes, silver gray foxes, blue foxes or any other foxes except com-**

mon red foxes, the licensee shall, on the 31st day of December of each year, pay an additional fee of \$1 for each fox owned by him or had in his possession in this state during the year then closing. Such licensed breeders may at any time sell, transport or kill and sell, and any person, firm or corporation may purchase, have in possession or transport, any game birds, game or fur-bearing animals raised by virtue of the provisions of this section, under such regulations as said commissioner may establish. Whoever engages in the business of breeding or rearing any game birds or game or fur-bearing animals at any time without first having procured a breeder's license as provided in this section, shall be subject to a penalty of not less than \$10, nor more than \$50 and costs for each offense and \$5 additional for each game bird or game or fur-bearing animal raised or had in possession in violation of any provision of this section.'