

NINETIETH LEGISLATURE

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Boothby of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-ONE.

AN ACT Relative to Licenses for Dealers in Furs.

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

R. S., c. 38, § 94, amended. Section 94 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 94. Licenses for dealers in furs. The commissioner may annually issue licenses to residents of this state persons to engage in the business of buying the skins of any fur-bearing animals. Each licensee shall keep a complete record which shall be open to inspection at all times by the commissioner or his agent, of all skins purchased, as aforesaid, in such book as is furnished him by said commissioner, and shall send such record, under oath, to said commissioner on or before the 31st day of December of each year. The fee for the license shall be \$25 for residents of this state and \$100 for nonresidents, to be paid to the said commissioner. Whoever buys any skins of any fur-bearing animals without being licensed as herein provided, or whoever, licensed as aforesaid, neglects to keep the record and forward the same to said commissioner as herein provided, or whoever refuses to exhibit said book for inspection by said commissioner or his agent, shall be subject to the penalties of section 107 of this chapter. All skins of fur-bearing animals bought in violation of any provision of this section

shall be forfeit and contraband and shall be seized by any person authorized to enforce the inland fish and game laws, and upon conviction of the person or persons from whom they were seized they shall be sold and the proceeds from such sale paid to the treasurer of state. All persons aiding or assisting another in buying, sorting or grading the skins of fur-bearing animals shall be considered as engaged in the business of buying the skins of furbearing animals and must procure a license therefor.'

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