

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**No. 768**

H. P. 1218

House of Representatives, February 13, 1945.

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Ames of Northport.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Relating to Bounty on Seals.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 34, § 145, amended.** Section 145 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 145. Bounty on seals.** A bounty of ~~\$+~~ \$3 for each seal killed in the waters of any of the coastal counties of the state, except the county of York, shall be paid to the person killing it by the treasurer of the town in which such person resides; provided, however, that no person shall collect said bounty unless he is a resident of this state. No bounty shall be paid unless the claimant, within 2 days after he has killed such animal or has returned from the trip on which he killed it, exhibits to such town treasurer the nose of such animal in as perfect state as when killed, and signs and makes oath to a certificate in which he shall state that he killed such animal and the time and place of such killing, showing it to be within the said waters of this state; the treasurer shall thereupon entirely destroy said nose and shall pay the bounty and take the claimant's receipt therefor, upon the same paper with such certificate. **Provided further, that no bounty shall be paid unless such certificate is approved by and bears the signature of the fish warden in whose district the seal was killed, stating that he believes the seal to have been killed at the time and place stated therein.** The

said treasurer shall report to the treasurer of state in a similar manner as is required by section 79 of chapter 33. **The bounty so paid by the town treasurer shall be reimbursed by the state.**

The provisions of this section shall in no wise effect or modify the provisions of section 143.'

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$15,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946 and \$15,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 to carry out the provisions of section 145 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes.