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House of Representatives, February 4, 1947.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. McGlauffin of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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AN ACT Relating to Protection of Commercial Orchards and Market  
Gardens.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 84, repealed and replaced. Section 84 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 84. Wire fencing and posts for fencing to be furnished upon request; expense, how borne. Owners of commercial orchards and market gardens shall on request be furnished with wire fencing and posts for fencing by the state, provided the erection of said fencing be borne by the owners, and provided further, that any owner who does not avail himself of the provisions of this section, or who shall fail to erect such fencing after application and on receipt of said materials shall forfeit all claims for damage, and that the erection of such fencing shall be in lieu of any further claims for deer damage. That all matters of protection or damage to orchards or gardens be decided by a committee of 5 members to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, 1 a member of the department of inland fisheries and game, 1 a member of the department of agriculture, 1 who shall represent the sportsmen,

1 who shall represent the commercial orchardists, and 1 who shall represent the commercial market gardeners. Provided, further, that no permission shall be granted anyone to shoot deer damaging an orchard or garden unless it be done by a game warden under express authority from said committee. The expense of said material and committee including clerical assistance shall be borne by appropriation from the general fund in the amount of \$50,000.'