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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-NINE

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**AN ACT Relative to Trapping Season on Fur-Bearing Animals.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ 1, amended.** The 1st, 3rd and 4th paragraphs of subsection I of section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ I, amended.** The 7th paragraph of subsection I, of section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘The open season on mink, muskrat and otter shall be during the month of November in each calendar year **except as provided in the following 2 paragraphs; provided that there shall be no open season on muskrat in the month of November, 1949.**’

**Sec. 3. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ I, amended.** Subsection I of section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding after the 7th paragraph thereof, the following 2 paragraphs:

‘The open season on muskrats in Cumberland and York counties shall be from March 20th to April 20th, both days inclusive. The open season on

muskrats in Washington county shall be from April 1st to April 15th, both days inclusive.'

**Sec. 4. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ I, amended.** The last paragraph of subsection I of section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The open season on all other wild or fur-bearing animals, excepting bobcats, loupcevier, Canada lynx and beaver, shall be from ~~October 16th~~ **November 1** of each calendar year to the following February 15th in the next following year, excepting in the county of York where the open season on foxes shall be from ~~October 16th~~ **November 1** in each calendar year to the following March 1st in the next calendar year.'

**Sec. 5. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ VII, amended.** Subsection VII of section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'VII.** For a period of 2 years from August 13, 1949, it shall be lawful to dig out foxes at any time and to hunt foxes at any time, except Sunday and in the night-time, in organized territory in this state. It shall be lawful to trap foxes or to cause to have foxes trapped, at any time, on one's own land, within a distance of 100 yards from a shelter or range where poultry is raised or kept.'