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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Kindling of Fires on Land.

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

R. S., c. 33, § 72, amended. Section 72 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 72. Kindling fires in unorganized townships; erecting trailers, shelters or tents penalty. Non-residents shall not kindle fires upon any unorganized township, while engaged in camping, fishing or hunting from May 1st to November 30th, inclusive, except when the ground is covered with snow, without being in charge of a registered guide, except at public camp sites or luncheon grounds maintained by the forestry department. No guide shall be employed by more than 3 non-residents while hunting at the same time.

Public camp sites and luncheon grounds maintained by the forestry department are for the traveling public's use as a measure to prevent forest fires.

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to erect any trailer, shelter or tent from June + to September 30 May 1st to November 30th at any public camp site or luncheon ground maintained by the forestry department within the state and leave such trailer, shelter or tent for later occupation. It shall also be unlawful to erect any trailer, shelter or tent nearer than 20 feet from any fireplace at any public camp site or luncheon ground. Persons having already occupied a camp site or luncheon ground maintained by the forestry department for more than 1 week shall leave at the request of the forest commissioner or his representatives, or any fish and game warden. The failure of any person to comply with the provisions of this section shall, on conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than \$10, nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.'