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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Potter of Medway.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Hunting and Trapping of Bears in Unorganized Townships.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 33, § 94-A, additional. Chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 94-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 94-A. Open season on bears. There shall be an annual open season for the hunting of bears during the month of November in each calendar year in unorganized townships not adjoining organized towns and plantations in the counties of Androscoggin, Cumberland, Hancock, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford, Sagadahoc, Waldo, Washington and York. All the rest of the calendar year before and after the open season shall be a closed season for the hunting of bears in the territory described in this paragraph.

There shall be an annual open season for the hunting of bears in each calendar year beginning the 21st day of October and ending the 30th day of November, both dates inclusive, in unorganized townships not adjoining organized towns and plantations in the counties of Aroostook, Franklin, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Somerset. All the rest of the calendar year before and after the open season shall be a closed season for the hunting of bears in the territory described in this paragraph.

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ III, amended. Subsection III of section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'III. It Except as provided in section 94-A and in subsection IV, it shall be lawful to trap bear, hedgehogs or bobcats at any time anywhere in the state, and it shall be lawful to hunt bear, hedgehogs or bobcats at any time anywhere in the state except during Sundays and in the night-time.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 33, § 97, sub-§ III-A, additional. Section 97 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subsection, to be numbered III-A, to read as follows:

'III-A. There shall be no open season for the trapping of bears in unorganized townships not adjoining organized towns and plantations.'