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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Osborne of Fairfield

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Night Hunting of Wild Animals.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 33, § 67, amended. Section 67 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 67. Night hunting prohibited; exception. It shall be unlawful to hunt wild birds in this state from sunset to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise of the following morning.

It shall be unlawful to hunt wild animals from $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after sunset until $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise of the following morning, except skunks and raccoons, as provided in section 97. For the purpose of this section, the time shall be that which is recognized as legal in the state of Maine.

No person shall have in his possession at any time any wild animal, or part thereof, taken in violation of the provisions of this section except as provided in section 97. Any person convicted of a violation under the provisions of this section shall be punished for the 1st offense by a fine of not less than \$200 and eosts, nor more than \$400 and eosts, which fine and eosts shall not be suspended, and an additional penalty of not more than 30 days in jail, at the discretion of the court, together with costs of court, and by imprisonment for not less than 10 days, nor more than 30

days, and such sentence of fine, costs and imprisonment shall not be suspended; and for a 2nd or subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than \$400 and costs, nor more than \$800 and costs, and 30 days in jail, which fine, costs and jail sentence shall not be suspended, and an additional penalty of not more than 60 days in jail, at the discretion of the court, together with costs of court, and by imprisonment for not less than 30 days, nor more than 90 days, and such sentence of fine, costs and imprisonment shall not be suspended.'