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H. P. 422

House of Representatives, February 3, 1955.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Potter of Medway.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Crop and Orchard Damage.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 94, sub-§§ I and II, repealed and replaced. Subsections I and II of section 94 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed and the following subsection I enacted in place thereof:

‘I. The cultivator of any orchard or growing crop, including legumes, except grass, or the owner, mortgagee or keeper of said crops or orchard, may kill deer, or other protected wild animals, except beaver, moose or birds, night or day, where substantial damage is being done. Said cultivator, owner, mortgagee or keeper shall, within 12 hours, report all the facts relative to such act, to a fish and game warden. Such report shall state the time and place of such wounding or killing. A person who kills such wild animal or animals shall immediately dress the carcass or carcasses and care for the meat. The fish and game warden shall immediately investigate the case, and, if he is satisfied that the animal or animals were taken as herein provided, he shall give said cultivator, owner, mortgagee or keeper a certificate of his finding in the matter. Said certificate shall entitle said cultivator, owner, mortgagee or keeper to the ownership of the carcass to be possessed and consumed only within the immediate family of the person to whom the certificate is given.’