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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 Open Season on Otter and Fisher.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 113, sub-§ I, amended. The 5th and 6th paragraphs of subsection I of section 113 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed as follows, and the following paragraphs enacted in place thereof :

~~The open season on otter shall be during the month of November and from January 1 to February 7, inclusive, of each year.~~

~~There shall be no open season on fisher and sable.~~

The open season on otter shall begin on November 1st and continue until the close of the open season on beaver in the year immediately following.

There shall be an open season on fisher, by trapping only, during the month of December in the area described as follows: north of the Appalachian Trail beginning at Grafton Notch, Riley (Oxford County) and extending northeasterly through Monson to the junction of said Appalachian Trail with the Canadian Pacific Railroad tracks near Onawa Lake (Piscataquis County); thence easterly along said Canadian Pacific Railroad tracks to Mattawamkeag; and west of Route 11 from Mattawamkeag to Fort Kent.

It shall also be unlawful for any person to have in possession at any time any fisher, or part thereof, except as expressly permitted by this section. It shall also be unlawful for any person to sell, give away, buy, accept as a gift, offer for transportation or transport any fisher skin or fisher skins, unless each skin is tagged and marked as directed by the Commissioner.

Any fisher skin or fisher skins that come into this State in any manner from any other state or country must have the official stamp, tag or seal of the

state or country from which said skin or skins were taken. All fisher skins shall be presented for tagging or marking within 10 days from the closing of the so-called open season.

All fisher skins must be presented to the warden supervisor in whose division they were caught and if said supervisor is reasonably satisfied that the fisher presented were legally trapped in his division, he shall tag and mark the same in the manner as directed and with the materials furnished by the Commissioner. A fee of \$2 must be paid by the trapper for each skin tagged and marked.

There shall be no open season on sable (marten).'