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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Harris of Greenville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Providing for Open Season on Moose.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 37, § 90, amended. Section 90 of chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 90. Hunting of caribou. No person shall hunt, kill or have in his possession any caribou ~~or moose~~, or parts thereof; ~~provided that no.~~ **No** person who has legally killed a caribou ~~or moose~~ beyond the limits of this State shall have in his possession or import such caribou ~~or moose~~, or parts thereof, into this State, unless he has obtained a permit from the commissioner to import such caribou ~~or moose~~, or parts thereof, for the purpose of consumption or for mounting, but not for sale. Such permit authorizing the importation of caribou ~~or moose~~, or parts thereof, shall set forth the inclusive dates when such possession shall be legal.

Possession of caribou ~~or moose~~, or parts thereof, without a permit ~~as set out in this section~~, or after such permit has expired, shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 37, § 73, sub-§ III, amended. Subsection III of section 73 of chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read as follows :

'The license for a resident to hunt moose during the open season shall be \$3.25, of which 25c shall be retained by the town clerk or agent.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 37, § 73, sub-§ V, amended. Subsection V of section 73 of chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read as follows:

'The license for a nonresident to hunt moose during the open season shall be \$15.25, of which 25c shall be retained by the town clerk or agent.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 37, § 91-A, additional. Chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes, as revised, is amended by adding a new section to be numbered 91-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 91-A. Open season on moose. There shall be a 5-day annual open season on moose in each calendar year. The open season shall be November 1st to 5th. During the open season it shall be lawful for any licensed hunter to shoot and have in possession not more than one moose of either sex.

Within 24 hours after the close of the season, whoever kills a moose shall present it to a game inspection station established by the commissioner under section 100 to be registered as directed and with the materials furnished by the commissioner.

No person shall at any time or in any manner transport or move any moose, or parts thereof, unless open to view and having securely attached thereto a tag bearing the name and address of the person who killed said moose.

No person shall keep a moose or any parts thereof at his home, or any place of storage more than 12 hours unless said moose has been legally registered.

No person shall present a moose for registration or permit to be registered in his name any moose which he did not kill.

No person shall buy, sell or offer for sale or barter any moose or parts thereof except that the heads and hides thereof may be sold to a properly licensed taxidermist or a licensed dealer in deer hides.

No moose or parts thereof shall be given away to be transported out of the State.

Any person who has legally registered a moose may give away parts thereof to residents of the State of Maine, to be possessed and consumed within the State, provided before so doing he notifies the commissioner in writing within 24 hours thereafter the approximate amount in weight given to each individual and the name and residence of each person to whom the meat is given.

No person shall have any moose meat in possession except in accordance with this section.'