

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Seventy-fourth  
Legislature

1909

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## CHAP. 51

**Chapter 51.**

An Act to provide for a close time on Hungarian Partridges, so called.

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

Close time  
on Hun-  
garian par-  
tridges.

Section 1. It shall be unlawful to hunt, chase, catch, kill or destroy or have in possession at any time any Hungarian partridge, so called, for a period of four years from the time this act takes effect, under a penalty of not less than five dollars nor more than ten dollars and costs for each offense and a further penalty of five dollars for each Hungarian partridge unlawfully caught, killed or had in possession.

Court  
jurisdiction.

Section 2. Municipal and police courts and trial justices within their counties shall have, upon complaint, original and concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme and superior courts in all prosecutions arising under this act.

Approved March 11, 1909.

**Chapter 52.**

An Act authorizing the Governor to issue his proclamation to Prevent the Use of Firearms in the Forests during a dangerously dry time.

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

Governor  
may sus-  
pend open  
season for  
hunting.

Section 1. Whenever, during an open season for the hunting of any kind of game or game birds in this state, it shall appear to the governor that by reason of drought having in possession firearms in the forests is liable to cause forest fires, he may, by proclamation suspend the open season and make it a close season for such time as he may designate.

All laws re-  
lating to  
close season  
shall be in  
force during  
suspended  
season.

Section 2. During the time which shall by such proclamation be made a close season, all provisions of law covering and relating to the close season shall be in force, and a person violating a provision of the same shall be subject to the penalty therein prescribed. In case any person shall enter upon the wild lands of the state carrying or having in their possession any firearms, or any person shall shoot during the close season fixed by proclamation of the governor, as provided in the preceding section, any wild animal or bird for the hunting of which there is no close season otherwise provided by law, he shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars and costs.

—penalty

Proclama-  
tion shall be  
published  
and posted.

—copy filed  
with secre-  
tary of  
state.

Section 3. Such proclamation shall be published in such newspapers of the state and posted in such places and in such manner as the governor may order in writing. A copy of such proclamation and order, shall be filed with the secretary of state. A like attested copy shall be furnished to the forest