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OF THE

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STATE OF MAINE

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Legislature

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Chapter 245.

An Act to provide a bounty on Bears in Washington and Hancock Counties.

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

Section 1. A bounty of five dollars for each and every bear killed in any town or unincorporated place in Washington and Hancock counties shall be paid by the treasurer of such town to the person killing it. If the animal is killed in an unincorporated place the bounty shall be paid by the treasurer of an adjoining town, if any, otherwise by the treasurer of the nearest town.

Bounty on bears in Washington and Hancock counties.

Section 2. No bounty shall be paid unless the claimant, within ten days after he has killed such animal, or has returned from the hunting, in which he killed it, exhibits to the town treasurer the entire skin of the animal for the killing of which such bounty is claimed, with the nose thereof in as perfect a state as when killed, excepting natural decay, and signs and makes oath to a certificate, which oath said treasurer may administer, in which he shall state that he killed such animal, and the time and place, showing it to be within the county; and the treasurer shall thereupon cut off the whole nose from such skin and entirely destroy it by burning; then he shall pay the bounty and take the claimant's receipt therefor upon the same paper with such certificate. The town treasurer shall immediately make upon the same paper a certificate made under oath addressed to the treasurer of state, that he first cut off the nose from the skin and destroyed it by burning, and then paid said bounty to the claimant.

Proofs of killing required.

Duty of town treasurer.

Section 3. Said certificate shall annually, in December, be transmitted to the treasurer of state, and by him laid before the governor and council as early as convenient; and when allowed by them, shall be paid by the treasurer of state to such town.

Bounties, when and how audited and paid.

Section 4. The certificate shall be in the following form:

Claimant's Certificate.

Claimant's certificate, form of.

To the treasurer of _____ I hereby certify that on the day of _____, A. D. 19____, at _____, in the counties of Washington and Hancock and state of Maine I killed the bear the skin of which I now exhibit to you; and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same.

Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

_____, Claimant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the day and year

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aforsaid. , Treasurer of
Claimant's Receipt.

On this day of , A. D. 19 , I received of
, Treasurer of , five dollars, being the bounty
allowed by law for killing the bear described in the above cer-
tificate.

, Claimant.

Treasurer's Certificate.

Treasur-
er's cer-
tificate,
form of.

I hereby certify that as required by law, I first cut off the
whole nose from the skin of the bear described in the fore-
going certificate and destroyed the same by burning, and then
paid the said the bounty for which I have taken
his receipt as above.

Dated at , this day of , A. D. 19 .
Treasurer of

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year afore-
said.

, Justice of the Peace.

Approved April 2, 1909.

Chapter 246.

An Act to amend Section forty-seven of Chapter forty-one of the Re-
vised Statutes, relating to Fish Weirs in the Kennebec River.

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

Section 47,
chapter 41,
R. S.
amended.

Section forty-seven of chapter forty-one of the revised stat-
utes is hereby amended by striking out the words "twenty-
fifth" in the thirteenth line, and inserting the word 'fifteenth'
in its place, so that said section as amended shall read as fol-
lows:

Depth of
weirs, how
measured.

'Section 47. The limit of depth prescribed for weirs in
the preceding section shall be measured at the entrance of the
weir, provided that no part of the weir known as the leader,
is in more than two feet of water at low water mark. Weirs
may exceed the limit of two feet in depth, measured as afore-
said, under the following conditions: First, the distance from
the before mentioned two feet limit to the entrance of such
weir, shall not exceed one hundred feet; second, no such weir
shall obstruct more than one-eighth of the channel, except that
in the Cathance, Abbagadasset and Eastern rivers, such weirs
may extend twenty-five feet beyond the one-eighth aforesaid,
provided such extension shall not exceed one-fourth of the
width of the channel in the Abbagadasset and Eastern rivers;

Condi-
tions under
which
limits may
be exceed-
ed.