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shall be five dollars; provided, further, that whoever hunts, captures or traps any beaver on any land anywhere in the state opened to beaver trapping by said commissioner shall pay therefor a fee of twenty-five dollars annually. The provisions of this section shall not be construed as applying to minors under sixteen years of age who desire to hunt or trap fur-bearing animals except beaver (for which a twenty-five dollar trapping license is required) in any of the organized townships of the state, nor as affecting the right of a bona fide resident of this state, or his immediate family, to hunt or trap fur-bearing animals (except beaver) in accordance with the laws of the state, without such trapping license, on land owned by him or on land leased by him and on which he is actually domiciled within the limits of an organized township, and which land is used exclusively for agricultural purposes.

Each person licensed under the provisions of this section shall, on or before the thirty-first day of December of each year, make such report to said commissioner as may be called for by him.

Whoever hunts, captures or traps any fur-bearing animal, or animals, anywhere in the state, in violation of any provision of this section, or whoever fails to file the annual report required by this section, shall pay a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars and costs for each offense. Whoever has in possession at any time any fur-bearing animal, or part or parts thereof, taken in violation of any provision of this section shall be subject to the same penalty.

Provided, however, that whoever hunts, captures or traps any beaver anywhere in the state, in violation of any provision of this section, shall pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and costs for each offense. Whoever has in possession at any time any beaver or part or parts thereof, taken in violation of any provision of this section, shall be subject to the same penalty.'

Approved March 25, 1925.

Chapter 56.

An Act to Regulate the Taking of Muskrats in Certain Territory in Washington, Hancock and Oxford Counties.

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

Sec. 1. Closed time for trapping muskrats in certain localities established. For a period of three years from the time this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, kill, pursue or catch any muskrat, or muskrats, in or on the banks of the East Machias river, or

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any tributary thereto, in the county of Washington, or in any lake connected therewith, or in or on the banks of Hoyt's brook, so-called, in the town of East Machias, in said county of Washington. For a period of two years from the time this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, kill, pursue or catch any muskrat, or muskrats, in the town of Bucksport, or in the town of Orland, in the county of Hancock. For a period of five years from the time this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, kill, pursue or catch any muskrat, or muskrats, in Bryant pond, or Lake Christopher, so-called, which waters are situated in the town of Woodstock, in the county of Oxford. It shall also be unlawful for any person to have in possession, at any time, any muskrat, or muskrats, or part thereof, taken in violation of any provision of this section.

Sec. 2. Penalties. Whoever violates any provision of this act shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten dollars and costs for each offense, and three dollars additional for each muskrat hunted, killed, trapped, pursued, caught, or had in possession, in violation hereof.

Sec. 3. Jurisdiction granted to trial justices, police and municipal courts. Trial justices, police and municipal courts, within their respective counties shall have, upon complaint, original and concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court and superior courts in all prosecutions arising under this act.

Approved March 25, 1925.

Chapter 57.

An Act Relating to Standard Time.

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

Sec. 1. Standard time defined; establishing other system of time prohibited. Within the state of Maine, the standard time shall be based on the mean astronomical time of the seventy-fifth degree of longitude west from Greenwich, known and designated by the federal statute as "United States Standard Eastern Time." It shall be unlawful for any town or other municipality to vote for, or otherwise establish, any other system of time.

Sec. 2. Jurisdiction granted S. J. court to restrain or annul proceedings of any town violating provisions. The supreme judicial court in equity, by writ of injunction or otherwise, may restrain or annul proceedings in any town or city in violation of the preceding section, upon application of ten or more taxable citizens of the state and a writ of temporary in-