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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective April 8, 1977

CHAPTER 65

AN ACT Concerning Chemical Control of Vertebrate Animals.

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

22 MRSA § 1471-N is enacted to read:

§ 1471-N. Chemical control of vertebrate animals

It shall be unlawful to use poisons to kill vertebrate land animals except as hereinafter provided.

- 1. Chemical control of vertebrate animals. The board may grant permits to use poisons for chemical control of vertebrate animals to members of its staff and to agents of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- 2. Chemical control of rodents. The board may grant permits to use poisons for chemical control of rodents to persons engaged in the production of agricultural commodities and the maintenance of ornamental plantings.
- 3. Use poisons to control wild dogs. The board, its staff or agents may in emergencies, use poisons to control wild dogs or other wild animals.
- 4. Control of rats and mice. The control of rats and mice on public and private property including buildings and municipal dumps, and the control of English sparrows, starlings and pigeons within buildings, is exempt from this section, provided that the control is performed in accordance with this chapter, the regulations of the board and the directions on the label of the registered pesticide employed.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 66

AN ACT to Clarify the Responsibility for Payment of Expenses on Rendition of Prisoners.