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CHAPTER 329

BOUNTIES

Sec.

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§ 2901. Bobcat, loupcervier and Canada lynx

There shall be a bounty of \$15 for every bobcat, loupcervier and Canada lynx which is killed within the State, to be paid by the Treasurer of State to the person killing the same upon compliance with the following conditions. No bounty shall be paid. unless the claimant, within 10 days after he has killed such animal, exhibits to the warden or warden supervisor in whose district the animal was killed the entire skin thereof, with the ears, nose and tail thereon in as perfect a state as when killed, except for natural decay, and signs a certificate under oath stating that he killed such animal and the time and place within the State. Such certificate must be approved by and bear the signature of the warden or warden supervisor in whose district the animal was killed, stating that he believes the cat to have been killed at the time and place stated therein, and the person claiming the bounty shall thereupon cut off the whole of the tail from the skin and forward the same to the commissioner, together with the claimant's certificate in the following form:

Claimant's Certificate

To the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game:

I hereby certify that on the day of A. D., 19.. at in the State of Maine, I killed the bobcat, loupcervier or Canada lynx, 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 A. D., 19...

(P. O. Address of Claimant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year aforesaid.

Notary Public Justice of the Peace

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It is believed that the cat was killed at the time and place stated herein.

This day of

Game Warden

DEPARTMENT OF INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME

Augusta, Maine, 19...

I hereby certify that I have received from, claimant, the tail of the bobcat, loupcervier or Canada lynx described in the foregoing certificate.

For Inland Fish and Game Commissioner

Note—Claim for bounty must be made within 10 days after the killing of the animal.

Upon receipt by the State Controller of a certificate from the commissioner showing that said commissioner has received the tail of the bobcat, loupcervier or Canada lynx from the claimant, said controller shall audit the claim for bounty and the same shall be paid forthwith by the Treasurer of State to the claimant from fines and penalties recovered and money received or collected under any provision of the inland fish and game laws or amendments thereof, or for sale of any seized or confiscated articles. After the foregoing funds have been exhausted, any further bounties shall be paid from the revenues of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game.

R.S.1954, c. 37, § 121; 1961, c. 395, § 21.

§ 2902. Porcupines

A bounty of 50ϕ shall be paid for each and every porcupine killed in organized territory of the State to the person killing the same by the treasurer of the municipality in which said porcupine was killed.

No bounty shall be paid unless the claimant, within 72 hours after he has killed such animal, exhibits to the town treasurer the 4 feet thereof and signs a certificate, which said treasurer may administer, stating that he killed such animal and the time and place within the State. The town treasurer shall then pay the bounty and take the claimant's receipt therefor upon the same paper with such certificates and the town treasurer shall make upon the same paper a certificate addressed to the Commissioner

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of Agriculture that all the requirements of law have been met by the claimant and that the bounty has been paid to him.

The certificate shall be in the following form:

Claimant's Certificate

To the Treasurer of the Town of

I hereby certify that on the day of A. D., 19... at in the State of Maine, I killed the porcupine, the feet of which I now exhibit to you, and I claim the bounty allowed by law for killing the same, and acknowledge receipt of said bounty.

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

The bounty so paid by the town treasurer shall be reimbursed by the State out of the fees for licenses for dogs upon presentation of the claim and any expense incurred by the Department of Agriculture incident to the enforcement of this section shall be taken from the fees for licenses for dogs, and so much of the fees received for dog licenses as may be necessary to pay said bounties, and any expenses incident thereto, is appropriated to pay the same.

1955, c. 433, § 1.