

SENATE....No. 142.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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IN SENATE, March 17, 1871.

The Committee on Agriculture, to whom was committed the petition of sundry persons for the preservation of rabbits, &c., report the accompanying Bill.

Per order,

R. GOODMAN.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-  
One.

### AN ACT

To aid in the Preservation of Rabbits and Hares.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—*

1    SECT. 1.   Whoever, at any season of the year, takes  
2 or kills any coney rabbits by the use or means of the  
3 animal known as the ferret, shall forfeit for every such  
4 offence twenty-five dollars.

1    SECT. 2.   Whoever, at any season of the year, takes  
2 or kills any coney rabbits or hares by the means of  
3 traps, snares, nets or springes, except on his own  
4 premises, or with the consent of the owner of the  
5 premises where such traps, snares, nets or springes are  
6 placed, shall forfeit for every such offence twenty-five  
7 dollars.

1    SECT. 3.   This act shall take effect upon its pas-  
2 sage.