

SENATE No. 953

By Mr. Shannon, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 953) of Charles E. Shannon for legislation to prohibit the recreational and commercial trapping of fur-bearing animals. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Three.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL TRAPPING OF FUR-BEARING ANIMALS.

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

- 1 This legislation would provide significant penalties for violators
- 2 consisting of a fine of at least \$500 and imprisonment for up to
- 3 one year. The only exception to this legislation would be for
- 4 landowners using box or cage traps to remove animals from their
- 5 property and transporting them to a more appropriate location.

