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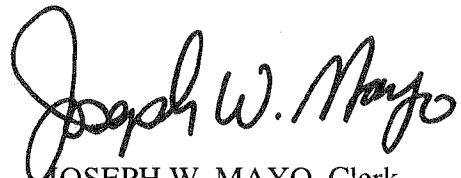
No. 859

H.P. 634

House of Representatives, February 6, 1997

An Act to Exempt Hunters in Elevated Stands from the Blaze Orange Clothing Requirements.

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative PERKINS of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and
Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, GOODWIN of Pembroke, TOBIN of Dexter.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7406, sub-§12,** as repealed and replaced by PL
1991, c. 824, Pt. A, §21, is amended to read:

6 **12. Hunting without hunter orange clothing.** A person is
8 guilty of hunting without hunter orange clothing if that person
10 hunts with firearms during the open firearm season on deer and
12 fails to wear 2 articles of solid-colored hunter orange clothing
14 that are in good, serviceable condition and visible from all
16 sides, ~~except that persons hunting waterfowl from a boat or blind
18 or in conjunction with waterfowl decoys need not wear hunter
orange clothing.~~ One article of clothing must be a hat. The
other article of clothing must cover a major portion of the
torso, such as a jacket, vest, coat or poncho. The presence of a
decal on an article of clothing that is otherwise solid-colored
hunter orange does not disqualify that article of clothing from
satisfying the requirements of this subsection.

20 Notwithstanding this subsection, a person need not wear hunter
orange clothing when:

22 A. Hunting waterfowl from a boat or blind or in conjunction
24 with waterfowl decoys; or

26 B. Hunting from an elevated stand. An elevated stand may,
28 but need not be connected to a tree.

30 **SUMMARY**

32 This bill exempts hunters in elevated stands from wearing
blaze orange while hunting.