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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Increasing Fees for Hunting and Fishing Licenses and Creating a Capital Construction Fund Therefrom.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 33, § 29, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 29 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'A fee of \$7.50 \$8.50 shall be paid annually for a resident guide's license. Non-residents may be so licensed upon payment of a fee of \$50 \$51. Persons licensed under this section may hunt and fish by virtue of their guide's license.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 33, § 32, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 32 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The clerks of all municipalities are authorized agents for the issuance of all fishing licenses. The commissioner may designate additional agents and shall determine the period during which they shall act. The license shall be issued upon payment of \$2.25 \$3.25, and the clerk shall retain 25c from the fee. The license shall be valid for the calendar year in which it was

issued. All licenses shall expire on midnight of December 31st of the year of issue. No license shall be wilfully issued to any person not a resident of the municipality in which said license is issued, and the penalty of any violation of this provision shall be \$10 and costs.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 33, § 32, sub-§ III, amended. Subsection III of section 32 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'III. There shall be 4 classes of non-resident fishing licenses. A license for the entire season shall cost \$7.75 \$8.75. A 15-day license shall cost \$4.75 \$5.75 and shall remain in effect for 15 days from the date as designated in the license. The amount paid on a 15-day license shall be credited on an entire season license upon the additional payment of \$3.50 \$4.50 in the same year in which the 15-day license was issued. A junior non-resident license, for persons between the ages of 10 and 16 years, shall cost \$2.25 \$3.25 for a season. In all cases, 25c shall be retained by the agent from the license fee. Any resident or non-resident of the state, who is a citizen of the United States, may procure a license good for 3 consecutive days as designated in the license upon the payment of \$3.25 \$4.25, 25c to be retained by the agent. The date of the days must be plainly enumerated on the face of the license. Any resident of the state who procures a 3-day license may exchange the same for an annual resident fishing license in the town in which he resides, upon the payment of 25c to the clerk or agent who issues same.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 33, § 63, amended. The 3rd and 4th paragraphs of section 63 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, are hereby amended to read as follows:

'The license shall be issued to a resident by the clerk of the town in which the applicant resides, or if domiciled in an unorganized territory, then by the clerk of the nearest town, upon payment of a fee of \$2.25 \$3.25, of which 25c shall be retained by the town clerk. The commissioner may appoint agents in unorganized towns for the purpose of issuing resident hunting licenses to the residents domiciled in that unorganized town.'

'A combination of hunting and fishing license may be issued on payment of \$4.25 \$5.25, 25c to be retained by the town clerk.'

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 33, § 63, sub-§ III, amended. The 2nd paragraph of subsection III of section 63 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Non-resident hunting licenses shall be of 2 classes: one class shall be

issued upon the payment of \$10.25 \$11.25, which will license the holder to hunt wild birds or animals during the open season therefor, except deer; the other class shall be issued upon the payment of \$20.25 \$21.25, which will entitle the holder to hunt wild birds and animals including deer during the open season therefor. The agent issuing the license shall be allowed to retain 25c from the license fee. The purchaser of a \$10.25 \$11.25 non-resident hunting license may turn the same in for a \$10 credit on the purchase of a \$20.25 \$21.25 non-resident hunting license.'

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 33, § 63, sub-§ VI, amended. The 1st paragraph of subsection VI of section 63 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Any non-resident between the ages of 12 and 16 years may buy a junior non-resident hunting license entitling him to hunt wild birds and animals during the open season therefor, except deer, upon payment of \$5.25 \$6.25 providing the application is accompanied by the written consent of his or her parent or guardian.'

- Sec. 7. R. S., c. 33, § 110-A, additional. Chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 110-A, to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 110-A. Capital expenditures. From the fees received for hunting and fishing licenses there shall be set aside for capital construction and improvements the sum of \$200,000 annually. Such funds shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account. Such construction and improvements shall be determined by the legislature and by the commissioner in carrying out the provisions of this chapter.'
- **Sec. 8.** Effective date. The provisions of this act shall become effective on January 1, 1954.