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§101-A. Chief Justice of the Superior Court

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall designate one of the Justices of the Superior Court as the Chief Justice of the Superior Court. He shall serve at the pleasure and under the supervision of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court and shall be responsible for the operation of the Superior Court. Any authority relating to the operation of the Superior Court, that is vested by law in the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, may be delegated by him to the Chief Justice of the Superior Court acting under his supervision. The Chief Justice of the Superior Court shall also perform such additional duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. The term "Justice of the Superior Court" includes the Chief Justice of the Superior Court.

Sec. 8. 4 MRSA §102, as amended by PL 1981, c. 486, §2, is further amended to read:

§102. Salary; expenses

Each Justice of the Superior Court shall receive an annual salary of \$36,064 until June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$37,868 until June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$39,760 thereafter. The Chief Justice of the Superior Court shall receive compensation of \$500 annually in addition to his annual salary as a Justice of the Superior Court. Section 4, relating to reimbursement of Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court for expenses incurred by them, shall apply to Justices of the Superior Court, including reimbursement for expenses incurred in employing clerical assistance but the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court or his designee may specify by order a maximum amount to be expended by any justice for such clerical assistance.

Sec. 9. Effective date. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 1984.

Effective January 1, 1984.

CHAPTER 270

H.P. 168 - L.D. 199

AN ACT to Require Persons being
Licensed to Hunt for the First Time to
have Completed a Gun Safety Course.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7035, sub-§10, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is amended to read:

A. The commissioner ~~may~~ shall establish a program for training ~~miners~~ individuals in the safe handling of firearms and for this purpose may cooperate with any public or private association or organization having as one of its objectives the promotion of safety in firearms handling.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7035, sub-§10, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is amended to read:

B. if the commissioner establishes such a program in establishing the program the commissioner shall:

(1) He ~~shall~~ prescribe Prescribe the qualifications of instructors. Each instructor authorized by the commissioner to conduct these programs shall be covered by liability insurance protecting him from liability for damages during the time when instruction is being given. The cost of this insurance shall be borne by the State and shall be a charge against the funds credited to the department;

(2) He ~~shall~~ prescribe Prescribe the type and course of instruction and the time and place of examinations; and

(3) He ~~shall~~ issue Issue a certificate of competency to ~~miners~~ individuals who successfully complete the examination.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7071, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Hunter safety course. Any person who applies for a Maine license to hunt with firearms other than a juvenile license shall submit proof of having successfully completed a hunter safety course as provided in section 7035, an equivalent hunter safety course or satisfactory evidence of having previously held an adult license to hunt with firearms in this State or any other state, province or country in any year beginning with 1976.

When proof of competency cannot otherwise be provided, the person may substitute a signed affidavit that he has previously held the required adult hunting license or that he has successfully completed the required hunter safety course.

Sec. 4. Effective date. Section 3 of this Act is effective on January 1, 1986.

Effective September 23, 1983, unless otherwise indicated.

CHAPTER 271

S.P. 304 - L.D. 918

AN ACT to Reestablish the Time for
Announcing a Shorter Deer Season.

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

12 MRSA §7457, sub-§1, ¶E, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 543, §44, is amended to read:

E. The commissioner may shorten the open season on deer in any part of the State, provided that:

(1) The demarcation of the areas with the shortened season follow recognizable physical boundaries, such as rivers and railroad rights-of-way;

(2) The determination is made and published prior to ~~September 1st~~ June 1st of any year; and

(3) The Saturday preceding the first day of open season on deer shall be an open day for residents of this State only.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 272

H.P. 813 - L.D. 1053

AN ACT to Provide the Department of
Transportation with the Ability to Collect
Rents on Acquired Properties.

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

23 MRSA §154-D, as amended by PL 1971, c. 593, §22, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read: