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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1348

H. P. 986 House of Representatives, March 5, 1971 Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Curtis of Orono.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Licenses for Hunting Deer with Bow and Arrow.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 2502, amended. Section 2502 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new sentence after the first sentence to read as follows:

A special archery license shall be issued by the commissioner to take deer during the special season provided in section 2501 and during the regular deer season provided in section 2353, the fee for which shall be \$8 for hunting deer by residents and \$18 for hunting deer by nonresidents; the fee of 25¢ to be retained by the issuing agent.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 2502, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 2502 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

If a person does take a deer with a bow and arrow during the special season provided in section 2501, he is not precluded from further hunting for deer during that year, provided he has obtained the special archery license provided in this section.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purposes of this bill are to enable a hunter to purchase one license for both archery and gun deer hunting and to enable a hunter who takes a deer with bow and arrow to take a second deer with a gun. About 20 deer a year are taken with bow and arrow. These changes in the law would encourage the sport of archery.