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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1866

H. P. 1549

Reported by Majority from Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Concerning the Possession of Firearms During the Open Season on Deer.

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

12 MRSA § 2469 is enacted to read:

§ 2469. Possession of certain firearms after registation of deer

During the 1975 and 1976 regular open seasons on deer in Wildlife Management Units 7 and 8, no person, after he has registered a deer under section 2355, shall possess any firearm other than a shotgun or possess any shot shell containing larger than No. 6 shot in the fields, forests or on the waters or ice of this State. This section shall not apply to persons hunting raccoons as provided for in chapters 301 to 335, nor to the hunting of waterfowl from a boat or blind in conjunction with waterfowl decoys.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will aid in the enforcement of the hunting statute and will reduce hunting accidents. It also could provide for more hunting days.