

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 548

H. P. 431

House of Representatives, February 14, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Churchill of Orland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT Concerning Fire Permits for Registered Guides.

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

**12 MRSA § 1402, last paragraph**, as amended by PL 1977, c. 694, § 242, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**On application to the directors a permit for out-of-door fires shall be issued to any resident guide who has been licensed under section 2053 for 5 years prior to the date of application for the permit and who has not been convicted of a civil offense during that time, who collects a fee for his services. This permit shall be valid for as long as the guide to which it is issued remains a licensed resident guide who collects a fee for his services. On application to the director a yearly permit for out-of-door fires shall be issued to any resident guide, licensed under section 2053 for less than 5 years, who collects a fee for his services and any resident guide with a permit issued pursuant to this section shall notify a forest ranger in person or by telephone the area in which he is guiding his party. Whoever violates this paragraph shall have his permit revoked by the director, who, in taking this action, need not comply with the provisions of Title 4, chapter 25, and Title 5, chapter 375.**

## STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide that registered guides who have been licensed for 5 years without a civil conviction can be issued a fire permit that will be valid for as long as they act as guides.