

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 585

S. P. 212

In Senate, February 15, 1979

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

Presented by Senator Usher of Cumberland.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Require Safe Hunting Certification to Obtain a Hunting License.

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

12 MRSA § 2401-A, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 52, is amended by adding before the first paragraph the following:

Beginning with and after January 1, 1981, all persons applying for any Maine hunting license, bow or firearm, shall first show to the issuing agent a certificate of competency in firearms safety or bow safety issued upon successful completion of a hunter safety course currently offered by any state, Canadian province or the National Rifle Association or proof of having held a hunting license in 1976 or any later year.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide safety for hunters and others during the hunting seasons and establish reciprocity of programs between the states and provinces.