

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1496**

H. P. 1269

House of Representatives, March 26, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Paul of Sanford.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Relating to Fish and Game Licenses as Issued by Licensing Agents.**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 7072-A is enacted to read:**

**§ 7072-A. Residential licenses**

**Agents may issue resident hunting, fishing and trapping licenses to any person who resides anywhere within the State, except licenses issued under section 7076, subsections 2 to 11 which may only be issued by the commissioner.**

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 7101, sub-§ 3, ¶¶ A and B, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, are repealed.**

**Sec. 3. 12 MRSA § 7131-A, sub-§ 2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 723, § 6, is amended to read:**

**2. Issuance. The commissioner or his authorized agent may issue a license to engage in trapping. The issuing agent shall retain a fee of \$1 for each license issued.**

**Sec. 4. 12 MRSA § 7123, sub-§ 2, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 729, § 2, is amended to read:**

**2. Issuance. The commissioner or his authorized agent may issue a license to engage in trapping. The issuing agent shall retain a fee of \$1 for each license issued.**

**Sec. 5.** 12 MRSA § 7151, sub-§ 3, ¶¶ A and B, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, § 1, is repealed.

**Sec. 6.** 12 MRSA § 7151, sub-§ 3, ¶ C, as amended by PL 1979, c. 704, § 8, is further amended to read:

C. Any resident who procures a 3-day license may exchange it for an annual resident fishing license ~~in the town in which he resides~~ upon the payment of \$1 to the clerk or issuing agent.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

Present law requires our resident hunters, fishermen and trappers to obtain their licenses from the town clerk of their town. The present statute also allows the nonresidents to purchase their licenses anywhere in the State.

It is intended by this bill to permit our residents the same privilege that now only the nonresidents enjoy.