

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

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House of Representatives, January 21, 1983

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9 Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife, and ordered printed pursuant to Joint  
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10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative McHenry of Madawaska.  
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12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE  
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17 AN ACT to Change the Law Regarding  
18 Hunting of Moose by Nonresidents.  
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
21 follows:

22 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§§4 - 6, as enacted by PL  
23 1981, c. 118, §2, are amended to read:

24 4. Hunting permits. The commissioner may issue  
25 up to 1,000 moose hunting permits annually and may  
26 establish the number of moose hunting permits to be  
27 issued for each moose hunting zone. No ~~more than 10%~~  
28 ~~of the~~ moose hunting permits may be issued to non-  
29 resident ~~and or~~ alien hunters. A person whose appli-  
30 cation is selected may purchase a moose hunting  
31 permit upon presentation of proof that he possesses  
32 a valid Maine hunting license.

33 A. A valid Maine hunting license, if he is a  
34 resident of the State, or

1 B. A valid Maine big game hunting license, if he  
2 is a nonresident or alien.

3 The fee for a moose hunting permit is \$25 for resi-  
4 dents and \$200 for nonresidents and aliens. At the  
5 time the permit is obtained, the permittee may desig-  
6 nate a subpermittee to hunt with him. The permittee  
7 may choose not to designate a subpermittee and hunt  
8 alone, but a subpermittee must always be accompanied  
9 by the permittee while hunting moose. While hunting  
10 moose each nonresident or alien hunter shall be in  
11 possession of a valid Maine nonresident or alien big  
12 game hunting license, whichever is applicable.

13 5. Eligibility. Any Maine resident, nonresident  
14 or alien who is eligible to obtain a Maine hunting  
15 license is eligible to apply for a moose hunting  
16 permit.

17 6. Application procedure. Eligible persons wish-  
18 ing to apply for a permit shall file a written appli-  
19 cation for a permit on a form furnished by the com-  
20 missioner. The application shall be accompanied by  
21 an application fee of \$5 for residents and \$10 for  
22 nonresidents and aliens. The application fee may not  
23 be refunded. No person may file more than one appli-  
24 cation. Any person who submits more than one applica-  
25 tion shall be disqualified from the selection of per-  
26 mittees.

27 STATEMENT OF FACT

28 The purpose of this bill is to eliminate hunting  
29 of moose in Maine by nonresidents and aliens. In  
30 conjunction with Title 12, sections 7464 and 7901,  
31 the hunting of moose by nonresidents would be unli-  
32 censed, and therefore, punishable as a Class D crime,  
33 with imprisonment for up to 3 days on a first offense  
34 and up to 10 days on a 2nd offense, plus a fine of no  
35 less than \$500.

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