

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

No. 378

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7 H.P. 319

House of Representatives, February 1, 1983

8 On Motion of Representative MacEachern of Lincoln referred to the
9 Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife. Sent up for concurrence and ordered
10 printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative McHenry of Madawaska.

Cosponsors: Senator Violette of Aroostook and Representative Callahan
of Mechanic Falls.

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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 Provide for Broader
18 Participation in Moose Hunting.
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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-§5, as enacted by PL 1981,
23 c. 118, §2, is amended to read:

24 5. Eligibility. Any Maine resident, nonresident
25 or alien who is eligible to obtain a Maine hunting
26 license is eligible to apply for a moose hunting
27 permit, or to be designated as a subpermittee,
28 except that:

29 A. No person who becomes a permittee or
30 subpermittee in one moose hunting season may be a
31 permittee or subpermittee in the following moose
32 hunting season; and

1 B. No person who kills a moose under this section
2 may be a permittee or subpermittee in either of
3 the 2 following moose hunting seasons.

4 STATEMENT OF FACT

5 Present law provides for moose hunting for a
6 limited number of hunters each year. Because demand
7 for these permits outstrips the number of available
8 permits, a lottery is held to determine who may
9 obtain them.

10 The purpose of this bill is to assure that the
11 broadest group of people has a chance to obtain these
12 permits or to participate in the hunt as
13 subpermittees. To accomplish this, the bill provides
14 that participants in one year's hunt must sit out one
15 season before being eligible again. Additionally,
16 hunters who are successful in bagging a moose would
17 be required to sit out the next 2 seasons.

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