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1 (New Draft of H. P. 1208, L.D. 1607)
2 (New Title)

3 FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
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5 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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7 Legislative Document

No. 1797

9 H.P. 1364

House of Representatives, September 6, 1983

10 Reported by Report A from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and
11 printed under Joint Rule 2.

12 Original bill presented by Representative MacEachern of Lincoln.

Cosponsored by Representative Roderick of Oxford and Senator Dow of
Kennebec.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

14 STATE OF MAINE
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16 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
17 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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19 AN ACT to Provide Additional
20 Revenue to the Department of Inland
21 Fisheries and Wildlife by an Increase in
22 License Fees and to Allocate that Revenue to
23 the Department of Inland Fisheries and
24 Wildlife for the Fiscal Years Ending June
25 30, 1984, and June 30, 1985.
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27 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
28 follows:

29 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7076, sub-§6, as amended by PL
30 1981, c. 644, §5, is further amended to read:

31 6. Residents in Armed Forces. A combination
32 fishing and hunting license shall be issued upon pay-
33 ment of \$5 \$8, plus the issuing fee, to a Maine resi-
34 dent on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United

1 States, his spouse and children. These persons shall
2 be issued all other licenses or permits at resident
3 fees. The license will be valid during the year of
4 issue.

5 Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7101, sub-§5, as amended by PL
6 1981, c. 414, §§11 to 13, is repealed and the follow-
7 ing enacted in its place:

8 5. Schedule of fees. The schedule of fees is as
9 follows:

- 10 A. Resident junior hunting license.....\$4
11 (10 years of age or older and under 16)
- 12 B. Resident hunting license.....\$12
13 (16 years of age or older)
- 14 C. Resident combination hunting and fishing li-
15 cence.....\$21
- 16 D. Resident combination archery hunting and
17 fishing license.....\$21
- 18 E. Nonresident junior hunting license.....\$25
19 (10 years of age or older and under 16)
20 (Permits hunting of all species, except deer and
21 bear with firearms)
- 22 F. Nonresident small game hunting license....\$45
23 (Permits hunting of all species, except deer and
24 bear)
- 25 G. Nonresident big game hunting license.....\$75
26 (Permits hunting of all species, including deer
27 and bear)
- 28 H. Nonresident combination hunting and fishing
29 license.....\$106
- 30 I. Alien small game hunting license.....\$60
31 (Permits hunting of all species, except deer and
32 bear)
- 33 J. Alien big game hunting license.....\$115
34 (Permits hunting of all species, including deer
35 and bear)

1 K. Alien combination hunting and fishing license
2 \$159

3 Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7102, sub-§3, as amended by PL
4 1981, c. 414, §15, is repealed and the following
5 enacted in its place:

6 3. Schedule of fees. The schedule of fees is as
7 follows:

8 A. Resident archery license.....\$12

9 B. Resident combination archery hunting and
10 fishing license.....\$21
11 (available from the department in Augusta only)

12 C. Nonresident archery license.....\$45

13 D. Alien archery license.....\$60

14 Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §7105, sub-§2, as amended by PL
15 1981, c. 414, §19, is further amended to read:

16 2. Fee. The fee for a special commercial shoot-
17 ing area hunting license is \$9 \$12.

18 Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §7151, sub-§5, as amended by PL
19 1981, c. 414, §21, is further amended to read:

20 5. Schedule of fees.

21 A. Resident fishing license.....\$9 \$12
22 (16 years of age or older)

23 B. Resident combination hunting and fishing li-
24 cence.....\$16 \$21

25 C. Resident combination archery hunting and
26 fishing license.....\$16 \$21

27 D. ~~Junior nonresident fishing.....\$3-50~~
28 ~~(12 years of age or older and under 16)~~

29 E. Resident or nonresident 3-day fishing license
30 \$9 \$12
31 (Valid for 3 days from date indicated on license)

1 F. Nonresident 7-day fishing.....~~\$17~~ \$27
2 (Valid for 7 days from date indicated on license)

3 G. Nonresident 15-day fishing license....~~\$20~~ \$30
4 (Valid for 15 days from date indicated on li-
5 cense)

6 H. Nonresident season fishing license....~~\$30~~ \$40
7 (16 years of age or older)

8 I. Alien season fishing license.....~~\$50~~ \$60
9 (16 years of age or older)

10 Sec. 6. 12 MRSA §7171, sub-§2, as amended by PL
11 1979, c. 543, §18, is further amended to read:

12 2. Fee. The fee for a live bait dealer's license
13 shall be ~~\$15~~ \$18 for each calendar year.

14 Sec. 7. 12 MRSA §7301, sub-§7, as repealed and
15 replaced by PL 1979, c. 543, §26, is amended to read:

16 7. Fee. The annual fee for a resident guide li-
17 cense is ~~\$34~~ \$37. The annual fee for a nonresident
18 guide license is ~~\$130~~ \$140. The annual fee for an
19 alien guide license is ~~\$155~~ \$165.

20 Sec. 8. Allocation of Department of Inland Fish-
21 eries and Wildlife funds. In order to provide for
22 the expenditures necessary for the operation of the
23 Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife from
24 January 1, 1984, to June 30, 1984, and from July 1,
25 1984, to June 30, 1985, the following sums or as much
26 thereof as shall severally be found necessary, as
27 designated in the following tabulations, are allo-
28 cated out of moneys lawfully available to the depart-
29 ment from the revenue raised by this Act. Upon
30 receipt of allotments duly approved by the Governor
31 based upon work programs submitted to the State Bud-
32 get Officer, the State Controller shall authorize
33 expenditures of these allocations on the basis of
34 these allotments and not otherwise.

35 1983-84 1984-85

36 INLAND FISHERIES AND
37 WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF

1 Fish and Wildlife -
2 Central
3 Administrative Services
4 Unallocated \$550,275 \$1,834,253
5 Amounting to \$550,275 for
6 the fiscal year ending
7 June 30, 1984, and
8 \$1,834,253 for the fiscal
9 year ending June 30, 1985.

10 Sec. 9. Reduction of revenue. In the event that
11 actual revenue fails to equal estimates during either
12 year of the biennium, the commissioner shall so
13 report to the Governor and he may temporarily curtail
14 allotments so that expenditures will not exceed the
15 anticipated income.

16 Sec. 10. Revenue in excess of estimates. Actual
17 revenue, in excess of that estimated and approved by
18 the Legislature, received in either year of the bien-
19 nium may be utilized by the department for current
20 programs when recommended by the commissioner and the
21 allotment of these funds is approved by the Governor.

22 Sec. 11. Unencumbered allocated balances. At
23 the end of each year of the biennium, all unencum-
24 bered allocated balances, including existing bal-
25 ances, representing inland fisheries and wildlife
26 moneys shall be set aside in a separate account and
27 may be used for other current programs when recom-
28 mended by the commissioner and the allotment of these
29 funds is approved by the Governor.

30 Sec. 12. Effective date. This Act shall take
31 effect on January 1, 1984.

32 STATEMENT OF FACT

33 The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
34 is a dedicated revenue department which is largely
35 dependent on license fees to fund fish and wildlife
36 law enforcement, management and research programs.

37 The most recent adjustment in fees on general

1 hunting and fishing licenses became effective on
2 January 1, 1980. Since that time, high inflation
3 rates and employee pay raises mandated by collective
4 bargaining agreements have increased the annual oper-
5 ating expenses of the department from less than 7
6 million dollars to approximately 9 million dollars.

7 The license fee changes proposed in this new
8 draft will increase department revenues by approxi-
9 mately 1.8 million dollars annually and will enable
10 the department to continue to provide current ser-
11 vices.

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