

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

No. 763

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7 H.P. 536

House of Representatives, February 27, 1985

8 On motion of Representative Perry of Mexico, referred to the Committee
9 on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Lander of Greenville.

11 Cosponsored by Representative Conners of Franklin, Representative
Ridley of Shapleigh and Representative Paul of Sanford.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Provide Equitable Fees for
18 Nonresident Concealed Weapons Permits
19 and to Provide for Reciprocity.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 25 MRSA §2032, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1983, c.
24 267, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its
25 place:

26 5. Nonresident. Any nonresident who meets the
27 requirements of this section shall make an applica-
28 tion to the Chief of the State Police and the appli-
29 cation fees and permit provisions of this section
30 shall apply, except that a resident of another state
31 where permits are available shall be charged a fee
32 equal to the fee a Maine resident must pay in that
33 state to secure a permit. If any nonresident holding
34 a valid concealed weapons permit in his state of res-
35 idence is issued a Maine concealed weapons permit,
36 upon payment of the fee provided for and if the non-

1 resident applicant's state of residence does not pro-
2 vide for the issuance of concealed weapons permits to
3 Maine residents, that applicant shall pay the fees
4 otherwise provided for in this section.

5 STATEMENT OF FACT

6 Currently the state's nonresident concealed weap-
7 ons fees are the highest in the country. This bill
8 brings the state's fees more in line with other
9 states and allows nonresidents to obtain a permit for
10 a fee that is comparable to what a Maine resident
11 would pay in another state. Since other states are
12 considering reciprocal fee laws, this could benefit
13 Maine residents as well.

14 This bill also allows for reciprocity on the is-
15 suance of a state concealed weapons permit to nonres-
16 idents who currently hold a valid permit in their
17 state of residence at the fee charged a Maine resi-
18 dent in that state. Because another state has al-
19 ready determined the applicant is qualified to hold
20 such a permit, it is not necessary to duplicate that
21 state's efforts in doing the usual background checks.

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