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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. 1077

7 H.P. 756

House of Representatives, March 20, 1985

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Michaud of Medway.

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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 Amend Certain Fish and Game Laws.
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19 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
20 follows:

21 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7076, sub-§1, as amended by PL
22 1983, c. 797, §3, is further amended to read:

23 1. Residents over 65 years of age. A complimen-
24 tary license to hunt, trap or fish shall be issued to
25 any resident of Maine who is ~~70~~ 65 years of age or
26 older and applies for it to the commissioner. The ap-
27 plication shall be accompanied by a birth certificate
28 or other certified evidence of the applicant's date
29 of birth and residency. Each license issued under
30 this subsection shall remain valid through December
31 31st of the 2nd complete calendar year following the
32 year of issuance.

33 Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7076, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by
34 PL 1983, c. 797, §4, is further amended to read;

1 B. Has a service connected disability evaluated
2 at 70% or more as a result of honorable military
3 service; and

4 Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7076, sub-§4 ~~TC~~, as enacted by
5 PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is repealed.

6 Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §7107-A is enacted to read:

7 §7107-A. Muzzle-loading hunting license

8 1. Eligibility. Any person who will be 16 years
9 of age or older at the beginning of the special sea-
10 son in subsection 4 may obtain a muzzle-loading hunt-
11 ing license from the commissioner or his authorized
12 agent, provided that that person possesses a valid
13 license to hunt big game.

14 2. Issuance. The commissioner, through his
15 agent, shall issue a muzzle-loading license to eligi-
16 ble persons. The issuing agent shall charge a fee of
17 \$1 for each license issued.

18 3. Schedule of fees. The fees for
19 muzzle-loading rifle licenses are as follows.

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u> <u>and</u> <u>after</u>
23 <u>Resident 3-day muzzle-loading</u>	<u>\$14</u>	<u>\$15</u>
24 <u>rifle license</u>		
25 <u>Nonresident 3-day muzzle-loading</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>47</u>
26 <u>rifle license</u>		
27 <u>Alien 3-day muzzle-loading rifle</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>62</u>
28 <u>license</u>		

29 4. Open season. There shall be a special
30 muzzle-loading open season on deer consisting of the
31 week immediately preceding the open season on deer,
32 as described in section 7457, subsection 1, for the
33 purpose of hunting deer with muzzle-loading rifles.
34 The commissioner may terminate this open season at
35 any time in any area if, in his opinion, an immediate
36 emergency action is necessary due to adverse weather

1 conditions or severe hunting pressure.

2 5. Restrictions. The following restrictions ap-
3 ply during the muzzle-loading open season.

4 A. A muzzle-loading rifle equipped with any type
5 of telescope or telescope sight may not be used
6 during any special muzzle-loading open season.

7 B. Deer tags for the muzzle-loading open season
8 shall be issued for use in the same manner as
9 regular deer tags.

10 C. If a person takes a deer during any open sea-
11 son on deer, his is precluded from further hunt-
12 ing for deer during that year.

13 D. Except as provided in this section, chapters
14 701 to 721 relating to deer apply to the taking
15 of deer with muzzle-loading rifles.

16 STATEMENT OF FACT

17 The purposes of this bill are:

18 1. To provide for the issuance of free hunting
19 and fishing licenses to persons 65 years of age or
20 older and to persons with a military service con-
21 nected disability; and

22 2. To establish a black-powder hunting season.

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