

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

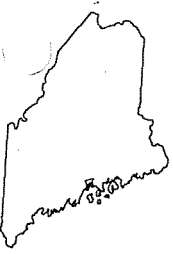
Presented by Representative MARSH of West Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Representative McGOWAN of Canaan, Senator WEYMOUTH of Kennebec and Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

An Act Relating to Doe Hunting Permits.



1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

3 **12 MRSA §7457, sub-§1, ¶H,** as repealed and replaced by PL
5 1985, c. 230, is amended to read:

7 H. The commissioner may regulate the taking of antlerless
9 deer within any area of the State, as necessary, to maintain
11 deer populations in balance with available habitat, provided
13 that:

15 (1) The demarcation of each area shall follow
17 recognizable physical boundaries such as rivers, roads
19 and railroad rights-of-way;

21 (2) The determination is made and published prior to
23 August 1st of each year;

25 (3) The commissioner may implement an antlerless deer
27 permit system, provided that, by March 1st of the year
29 of implementation, the department shall submit the
31 rules necessary for the system to the joint standing
33 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
35 inland fisheries and wildlife for review, comment and
37 submission of any necessary legislation;

39 (4) If an antlerless deer permit system is
41 implemented, the application fee for a permit to take
43 an antlerless deer shall not exceed \$1;

45 (5) The commissioner may adopt rules necessary for the
47 administration, implementation, enforcement and
49 interpretation of this subsection, except that there
51 shall be no antlerless deer permit system unless
 otherwise specified in this paragraph; and

 (6) Subparagraph (3) shall be repealed 30 days after
 the submission by the department to the committee of
 the rules necessary for a permit system; and

(7) If an antlerless deer permit system is
 implemented, any applicant for an antlerless deer
 permit who meets the requirements of this subparagraph
 shall be permitted to submit 2 applications in the same
 name. The applicant may only be awarded one permit.
 If the applicant obtains an antlerless deer permit, the
 applicant may transfer that permit to any other person,
 without cost, upon notification to the commissioner,
 provided that the other person was eligible to apply
 for an antlerless deer permit. To be eligible for a
 double application under this subparagraph, an
 applicant must permit hunting during the hunting season
 on at least 50 acres or more of land owned by the

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applicant. The commissioner may require that an affidavit, on a form provided by the department, be submitted as verification of eligibility.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides an applicant for a doe permit the opportunity to submit 2 applications provided that person has at least 50 acres or more of land and opens that land to hunting.