

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 780

House of Representatives, March 13, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative ROTONDI of Athens.

Cosponsored by Representative JALBERT of Lisbon and Representative STEVENS of Sabattus.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

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An Act to Provide Persons 70 Years or Older with Free Doe Permits.

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

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4 12 MRSA §7457, sub-§1, ¶H, as repealed and replaced by PL 1985, c. 230, is amended to read:

6 H. The commissioner may regulate the taking of antlerless  
8 deer within any area of the State, as necessary, to maintain  
10 deer populations in balance with available habitat, provided  
12 that:

14 (1) The demarcation of each area shall ~~shall~~ must follow  
16 recognizable physical boundaries such as rivers, roads  
18 and railroad rights-of-way;

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

24 (3) The commissioner may implement an antlerless deer  
26 permit system, provided that, by March 1st of the year  
28 of implementation, the department shall submit the  
30 rules necessary for the system to the joint standing  
32 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over  
34 inland fisheries and wildlife for review, comment and  
36 submission of any necessary legislation;

38 (4) If an antlerless deer permit system is  
40 implemented, the application fee for a permit to take  
42 an antlerless deer shall ~~shall~~ may not exceed \$1;

44 (5) The commissioner may adopt rules necessary for the  
46 administration, implementation, enforcement and  
48 interpretation of this subsection, except that there  
shall-be is no antlerless deer permit system unless  
otherwise specified in this paragraph; ~~and~~

50 (6) Subparagraph (3) shall-be is repealed 30 days  
52 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, a complimentary deer permit to hunt  
antlerless deer may be issued to any resident of Maine  
70 years of age or older who has a complimentary  
hunting license pursuant to section 7076, subsection 1,  
upon application to the commissioner.

48 STATEMENT OF FACT

50 This bill allows residents who are 70 years of age or older,  
52 who have received a free hunting license, to also receive a free  
permit to hunt antlerless deer.