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H.P. 228

House of Representatives, February 4, 1993

An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative JACQUES of Waterville. Cosponsored by Senator LUDWIG of Aroostook and

Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BOWERS of Washington, CLARK of Millinocket, COLES of Harpswell, DEXTER of Kingfield, GEAN of Alfred, GOULD of Greenville, GREENLAW of Standish, HICHBORN of Howland, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, MARSH of West Gardiner, PINEAU of Jay, POULIN of Oakland, REED of Falmouth, RUHLIN of Brewer, SWAZEY of Bucksport, TARDY of Palmyra, TRACY of Rome, Senators: CONLEY of Cumberland, O'DEA of Penobscot.

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

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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7901-A is enacted to read:

<u>§7901-A. Revocation of licenses</u>

In addition to any other penalties provided by law, a person convicted of shooting a domestic animal in violation of section 8 7406, subsection 14, or of committing any offense against a 10 person in violation of Title 17-A, chapter 9 if the offense occurred in the context of a hunting activity and if the offense 12 resulted in the injury or death of any person loses the privilege to hold any license or permit to hunt in this State. The clerk 14 of the court in which the person is convicted shall notify the commissioner of the conviction. Upon notification of conviction, 16 the commissioner shall revoke any license or permit to hunt issued by the commissioner to the convicted person. A revocation under this section of the privilege to hunt is permanent unless 18 the conviction is overturned. The commissioner shall keep 20 records sufficient to ensure adequate enforcement of this section.

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This bill provides that any person convicted of shooting a domestic animal or of wounding or killing a person while hunting permanently loses the privilege to hunt.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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