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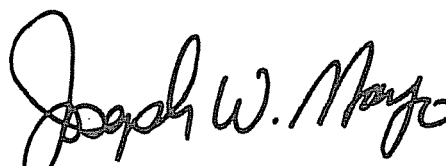
No. 581

H.P. 455

House of Representatives, February 22, 1993

**An Act to Require People Applying for the Moose Lottery to Have
Hunting Licenses.**

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GEAN of Alfred.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CARROLL of Gray, FARREN of Cherryfield, TRACY of Rome.

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

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4 **Sec. 1.** 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1989, c. 493, §§37 and 76, is further amended to read:

6 **4. Hunting permits.** The commissioner may issue up to 1,000
8 moose hunting permits annually and may establish the number of
10 moose hunting permits to be issued for each moose hunting zone.
12 No more than 10% of the moose hunting permits may be issued to
14 nonresident and alien hunters. ~~A person whose application is
16 selected may purchase a moose hunting permit upon presentation of
18 proof that the person possesses:~~

14 ~~A. A valid Maine hunting license, if the person is a
16 resident of the State; or~~

18 ~~B. A valid Maine big game hunting license, if the person is
a nonresident or alien.~~

20 The fee for a moose hunting permit is \$25 for residents and \$200
22 for nonresidents and aliens. While hunting moose, each
24 nonresident or alien hunter, both permittee and subpermittee,
shall must be in possession of a valid Maine nonresident or alien
big game hunting license, whichever is applicable.

26 **Sec. 2.** 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1985, c.
28 120, §§1 and 2, is further amended to read:

30 **5. Eligibility.** Except as provided in this subsection, any
32 Maine resident, nonresident or alien who ~~is eligible to obtain~~
holds a Maine hunting license or Maine big game hunting license
34 is eligible to apply for a moose hunting permit. No person who
36 has obtained a moose hunting permit may obtain another permit
until 2 years have elapsed since the issuance of the last
permit. This limitation does not apply to subpermittees.

38 **Sec. 3.** 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1981, c.
118, §2, is amended to read:

40 **6. Application procedure.** Eligible persons wishing to apply
42 for a permit shall file a written application for a permit on a
form furnished by the commissioner. The application must include
44 the applicant's hunting license number. The application shall
46 must be accompanied by an application fee of \$5 for residents and
\$10 for nonresidents and aliens. The application fee may not be
48 refunded. No person may file more than one application. Any
person who submits more than one application shall ~~be~~ is
disqualified from the selection of permittees.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill amends the moose hunting laws to establish a permit system similar to the system now in use for antlerless deer permits. Under the revised system, a person must hold a valid hunting license in order to apply and must place the number of that hunting license on the permit application.