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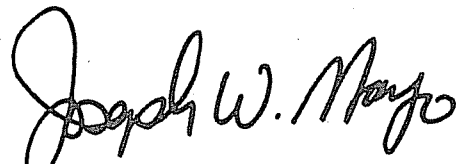
No. 1021

H.P. 754

House of Representatives, March 25, 1993

An Act to Change the Moose Hunting Laws.

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BENNETT of Norway.

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
moose hunting permits to be issued for each moose hunting zone.
10 No more than 10% of the moose hunting permits may be issued to
12 nonresident and alien hunters. ~~A person whose application is
selected may purchase a moose hunting permit upon presentation of
proof that the person possesses:~~

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

16 ~~B. A valid Maine big game hunting license, if the person is
18 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
nonresident or alien hunter, both permittee and subpermittee,
24 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
Maine resident, nonresident or alien who ~~is eligible to obtain~~
32 holds a Maine hunting license or Maine big game hunting license
is eligible to apply for a moose hunting permit. ~~No~~ A person who
34 has obtained a moose hunting permit may not obtain another permit
until 2 5 years have elapsed since the issuance of the last
36 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
must be accompanied by an application fee of \$5 for residents and
46 \$10 for nonresidents and aliens. The application fee may not be
refunded. ~~No~~ A person may not file more than one application. ~~Any~~
48 A person who submits more than one application shall ~~be~~ is
disqualified from the selection of permittees.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

4 This bill amends the moose hunting laws to establish a
6 permit system similar to the system now in use for antlerless
8 deer permits. Under the revised system, a person must hold a
10 valid hunting license in order to apply and must place the number
of that hunting license on the permit application. The bill also
amends the period a person must wait before that person may apply
for a moose permit from 2 years to 5 years.