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An Act to Require a Person to Have a Hunting License to Participate in the Moose Lottery.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DAMREN of Belgrade. (By Request) Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, JOY of Crystal, PERKINS of Penobscot, STEDMAN of Hartland, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: CARPENTER of York, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§4, as repealed and replaced by 4 PL 1993, c. 680, Pt. A, §21, is amended to read: Hunting permits. In accordance with the provisions of 6 4. subsections 1-A and 2-A, the commissioner may issue moose hunting permits and may establish the number of moose hunting permits to 8 be issued for each moose hunting zone. No more than 10% of the 10 moose hunting permits may be issued to nonresident and alien A-person-whose-application-is-selected-may-purchase-a hunters. meese-hunting permit -upon - presentation -of -preef-that-the -person 12 Pessesses+ 14 Ar---A--valid - Maine--hunting--lieense, --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 1993, \$27 for 1994, 22 \$28 for 1995 and \$29 for 1996 and every year thereafter for residents and \$200 for 1993, \$202 for 1994, \$203 for 1995 and 24 \$204 for 1996 and every year thereafter for nonresidents and aliens. While hunting moose, each nonresident or alien hunter, 26 both permittee and subpermittee, must be in possession of a valid Maine nonresident or alien big game hunting license, whichever is 28 applicable. Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1985, c. 30 120, \$ and 2, is further amended to read: 32 5. Eligibility. Except as provided in this subsection, any 34 Maine resident, nonresident or alien who is-cligible-to-ebtain holds a Maine hunting license or a Maine big game hunting license 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 38 permit. This limitation does not apply to subpermittees. 40 Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 42 118,  $\S2$ , is amended to read: 44 6. Application procedure. Eligible persons wishing to apply for a permit shall file a written application for a permit on a form furnished by the commissioner. The application must include 46 the applicant's hunting license number. The application shall must be accompanied by an application fee of \$5 for residents and 48 \$10 for nonresidents and aliens. The application fee may not be 50 refunded. No person may file more than one application. Any

person who submits more than one application shall--be is 2 disqualified from the selection of permittees.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

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.

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