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No. 925

H.P. 674

House of Representatives, March 21, 1995

An Act to Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Establish the Number of Moose Hunting Permits Issued.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DONNELLY of Presque Isle. Cosponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket and Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, BARTH of Bethel, CAMPBELL of Holden, CHICK of Lebanon, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAMREN of Belgrade, GUERRETTE of Pittston, JOYNER of Hollis, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMONT of Kittery, LINDAHL of Northport, MAYO of Bath, McELROY of Unity, NASS of Acton, PERKINS of Penobscot, REED of Dexter, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, TRIPP of Topsham, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, PARADIS of Aroostook.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§2-A, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 206, §4 and affected by §7, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2-A. Number of permits. For the purpose of maintaining moose populations in balance with available habitat in districts and zones established under subsection 1-A, the commissioner may issue moose hunting permits. The commissioner shall determine the number, sex and age of moose to be taken from each district and zone and issue permits in accordance with this determination.

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

18 Currently, the number of moose hunting permits is established by law. This bill repeals that law and allows the 20 Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to set the number of permits issued based upon the intent of maintaining a balance 22 between moose populations and the available habitat.