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H.P. 841

House of Representatives, April 4, 1995

An Act to Increase Moose Hunting Permit Application Fees.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DAMREN of Belgrade.
Cosponsored by Representatives: KEANE of Old Town, MORRISON of Bangor,
NICKERSON of Turner, RICE of South Bristol, SAVAGE of Union.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7463-A, sub-§4, as repealed and replaced by PL 1993, c. 680, Pt. A, §21, is amended to read:

4. Hunting permits. In accordance with the provisions of subsections 1-A and 2-A, the commissioner may issue moose hunting permits and may establish the number of moose hunting permits to be issued for each moose hunting zone. No more than 10% of the moose hunting permits may be issued to nonresident and alien hunters. A person whose application is selected may purchase a moose hunting permit upon presentation of proof that the person possesses:

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

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

The fee for a moose hunting permit is \$25 for 1993, \$27 for 1994, \$28 for 1995 and \$29 for 1996 and every year thereafter for residents and \$200 for 1993, \$202 for 1994, ~~\$203~~ \$300 for 1995 and ~~\$204~~ for 1996 and every year thereafter for nonresidents and aliens. While hunting moose, each nonresident or alien hunter, both permittee and subpermittee, must be in possession of a valid Maine nonresident or alien big game hunting license, whichever is applicable.

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

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 ~~shall~~ must be accompanied by an application fee of \$5 for residents and ~~\$10~~ \$20 for nonresidents and aliens. The application fee may not be refunded. ~~No~~ A person may not file more than one application. Any person who submits more than one application ~~shall--be~~ is disqualified from the selection of permittees.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill increases the moose hunting permit fee to \$300 for nonresidents and aliens and increases the application fee for a moose hunting permit to \$20 for nonresidents and aliens.