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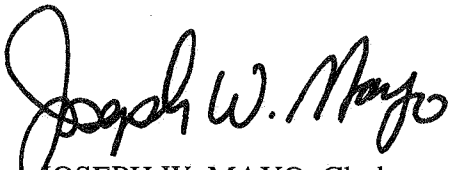
No. 1098

H.P. 810

House of Representatives, February 18, 1997

An Act to Facilitate Implementation of an Automated Hunters' and Anglers' Data Base System for Hunting and Fishing Licenses and Registrations.

Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 204.
Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CHICK of Lebanon.
Cosponsored by Senator KILKELLY of Lincoln and
Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DUNLAP of Old Town,
PAUL of Sanford, PERKINS of Penobscot, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: HALL of
Piscataquis, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7071, sub-§8**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1995, c. 455, §2, is amended to read:

6 **8. Trespass reminder.** The following notice must be printed
8 on each hunting and fishing license: This ~~license~~ document does
not authorize you to enter private property without permission.

10 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7072, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 819,
12 Pt. A, §23, is repealed.

14 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7073, sub-§3-A**, as enacted by PL 1993, c.
16 459, §2 and affected by §3, is repealed and the following enacted
in its place:

18 **3-A. Statement of right to possess firearms.** An applicant
20 for any license or permit that authorizes a person to hunt with a
firearm shall sign the following written statement.

22 I CERTIFY THAT EITHER I AM NOT A CONVICTED FELON OR THAT I AM A
24 CONVICTED FELON WITH A PERMIT TO CARRY A FIREARM. BY MAKING
FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS DOCUMENT, I REALIZE I AM COMMITTING A
CLASS D CRIME PUNISHABLE UNDER MAINE LAW.

26 **Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §7073, sub-§6** is enacted to read:

28 **6. Stamps.** Whenever a license or permit to hunt is in the
30 form of a stamp, the licensee shall affix the stamp to the
licensee's hunting license and validate it by signing the
licensee's name across the face of the stamp.

32 **Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §7076, sub-§12-A** is enacted to read:

34 **12-A. Supersport.** A person may be designated as a
36 supersport by obtaining a supersport certificate from the
commissioner or the commissioner's agent for a fee of \$15.

38 **Sec. 6. 12 MRSA §7101, sub-§5-A**, as enacted by PL 1995, c.
40 436, §3, is repealed.

42 **Sec. 7. 12 MRSA §7102-A, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 24,
44 §3 and affected by §7, is repealed.

46 **Sec. 8. 12 MRSA §7106-B, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1995, c.
48 462, Pt. A, §35 and affected by §92, is amended to read:

50 **1. Issuance.** The commissioner or the commissioner's
authorized agent may issue a pheasant hunting permit ~~in-the-form~~
~~of-a-stamp~~ to applicants 16 years of age or older permitting them

2 to hunt or possess pheasants in Cumberland County and York
3 County. A person under 16 years of age may hunt or possess
4 pheasants in accordance with chapters 701 to 721, except that a
5 person under 16 years of age is not required to purchase or carry
6 a pheasant hunting permit in order to hunt or possess pheasants.

7 **Sec. 9. 12 MRSA §7106-B, sub-§3,** as enacted by PL 1995, c.
8 462, Pt. A, §35 and affected by §92, is repealed.

9 **Sec. 10. 12 MRSA §7107-A, sub-§1-A,** as amended by PL 1995, c.
10 455, §8, is repealed.

11 **Sec. 11. 12 MRSA §7109, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 1983, c. 807,
12 Pt. L, §2, is amended to read:

13 **1. Issuance of permit.** The commissioner or his the
14 commissioner's authorized agent shall issue a migratory waterfowl
15 hunting permit ~~in-the-form-of-a-stamp~~ to applicants 16 years of
16 age or older permitting them to hunt or possess migratory
17 waterfowl. Persons under 16 years of age may, without a permit,
18 hunt or possess migratory waterfowl in accordance with chapters
19 701 to 721.

20 **Sec. 12. 12 MRSA §7109, sub-§3,** as enacted by PL 1983, c. 807,
21 Pt. L, §2, is repealed.

22 **Sec. 13. 12 MRSA §7133, sub-§4-A,** as enacted by PL 1995, c.
23 436, §4, is repealed.

24 **Sec. 14. 12 MRSA §7151, sub-§5-A,** as enacted by PL 1995, c.
25 436, §5, is repealed.

32 SUMMARY

33 This bill changes current law to allow efficient issuance of
34 hunting and fishing licenses and registrations through an
35 automated computer system to be available at all inland fisheries
36 and wildlife agent locations.