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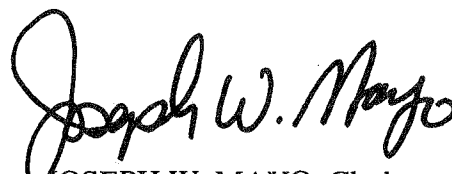
No. 1310

H.P. 947

House of Representatives, March 4, 1997

An Act to Encourage Hunting by Nonresidents.

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

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

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3 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7101, sub-§5**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 667,
4 Pt. A, §§18 and 19, is further amended to read:

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5. **Schedule of fees.** The schedule of fees is as follows:

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	1993	1994	1995	1996 and after <u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u> and after
A. Resident junior hunting license (10 years of age or older and under 16)	\$3	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$4
B. Resident hunting license (16 years of age or older)	\$15	\$17	\$18	\$19	\$15
C. Resident small game hunting license (16 years of age or older) (Permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat)	\$8	\$10	\$11	\$12	\$9
D. Resident combination hunting and fishing license	\$28	\$32	\$34	\$36	\$29
F. Resident combination archery hunting and fishing license	\$28	\$32	\$34	\$36	\$29
G. Nonresident junior hunting license (10 years of age or older and under 16) (Permits hunting of all species, except deer and bear, with firearms)	\$23	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25
H. Nonresident small game hunting license (Permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat)	\$47	\$51	\$53	\$55	\$55

2	H-1. Nonresident 3-day					
	small game hunting license,					
4	valid for 3 consecutive					
	hunting days (Permits					
6	hunting of all legal					
	species except deer,					
8	bear, turkey, moose,	0	0	\$30	\$30	<u>\$30</u>
	raccoon and bobcat)					
10	H-2. Nonresident seasonal					
	junior firearm big game					
12	hunting license	0	0	\$25	\$25	<u>\$25</u>
14	I. Nonresident big game					
	hunting license (Permits					
16	hunting of all species					
	including deer and bear)	\$77	\$81	\$83	\$85	<u>\$60</u>
18	J. Nonresident					
	combination hunting and					
20	fishing license	\$107	\$115	\$119	\$123	<u>\$100</u>
22	K. Alien small game					
	hunting license (Permits					
24	hunting of all species					
26	except deer, bear, turkey,					
	moose, raccoon and					
28	bobcat)	\$62	\$66	\$68	\$70	<u>\$55</u>
30	L. Alien big game hunting					
	license (Permits hunting					
32	of all species including					
	deer and bear)	\$117	\$121	\$123	\$125	<u>\$100</u>
34	M. Alien combination					
	hunting and fishing					
36	license	\$160	\$168	\$172	\$176	<u>\$150</u>

38 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7102-A, sub-§4, ¶C**, as repealed and replaced
40 by PL 1995, c. 455, §7 and affected by §45, is amended to read:

42	C. Nonresident archery					
	license		\$47	\$51	\$53	\$55
44						<u>\$60</u>

46 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7457, sub-§1, ¶A**, as amended by PL 1991, c.
48 170, is further amended to read:

2 A. ~~Except as otherwise provided in this section or by rule~~
3 ~~adepted by the commissioner pursuant to this section, there~~
4 There is an open season on deer in each calendar year in all
5 counties of the State from ~~the 5th Monday~~ preceeding
6 Thanksgiving November 1st to November 30th. Notwithstanding
7 section 7406, all Sundays in November are open days for
8 hunting deer. In any year when November 30th falls on a
9 Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, the commissioner may, by
10 rule, extend the open season on deer to the first Saturday
11 in December. In any year in which the commissioner extends
12 the season beyond November 30th, the commissioner shall by
13 rule open the season in the northern portion of the State a
14 week before opening the season in the southern portion of
15 the State. The commissioner may by rule establish for this
16 purpose a northern and a southern zone.

18 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill makes changes to certain resident and nonresident
21 hunting licenses issues beginning in 1998. The bill also
22 establishes the month of November as the open season on deer and
allows Sunday hunting season during that month.