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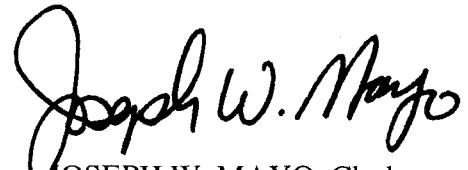
No. 296

H.P. 218

House of Representatives, January 14, 1999

An Act to Require Written Permission from Landowners for Hunting.

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BUCK of Yarmouth.
Cosponsored by Representative BULL of Freeport.

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

4 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7409 is enacted to read:

6 **§7409. Permission: private property**

8 Before hunting deer, moose or bear on private property not
10 owned by corporations in organized municipalities, a resident or
nonresident must obtain written permission from the owner or
lessee of that land or the owner's or lessee's agent.

12 1. Expire. The written permission given expires at the end
14 of the regular firearms hunting season. Permission must be
obtained from the owner every season.

16 2. Produce permission. The written permission must be kept
18 in the person's possession while hunting and the person must
produce the permission when requested to do so by any law
20 enforcement officer or the property owner.

22 3. Posted land: exception. A written permission is not
24 required if the owner has posted the land, indicating that
hunting is permitted on the land.

26 **SUMMARY**

28 This bill requires that hunters of deer, moose or bear
30 obtain written permission from land owners before hunting on
privately owned property.