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No. 1260

S.P. 423

In Senate, February 16, 1999

An Act to Offer Reciprocity Concerning Concealed Firearms Permits.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.
Cosponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket and
Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, KIEFFER of Aroostook, KILKELLY of Lincoln,
Representatives: MACK of Standish, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, TRUE of Fryeburg,
WHEELER of Bridgewater.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2001, sub-§6**, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 917,
4 §6, is amended to read:

6 **6. Licensed hunters and trappers.** Firearms carried by any
8 person engaged in conduct for which a state-issued hunting or
trapping license is required and possessing the required license,
10 or firearms carried by a resident person engaged in conduct
12 expressly authorized by Title 12, section 7377, subsections 1 and
2. This subsection does not authorize or permit the carrying of
a concealed or loaded firearm in a motor vehicle; and

14 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2001, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

16 7. Permit issued by another state or country. A firearm
18 carried by a person to whom a valid permit to carry a concealed
firearm has been issued by another state or country if a permit
20 to carry a concealed firearm issued from that state or country
has been granted reciprocity. Reciprocity may be granted to a
22 permit to carry a concealed firearm issued from another state or
country if:

24 A. The other state or country that issued the permit to
26 carry a concealed firearm has substantially equivalent or
stricter requirements for the issuance of a permit to carry
a concealed firearm; and

28 B. The other state or country that issued the permit to
30 carry a concealed firearm observes the same rules of
reciprocity in regards to a person issued a permit to carry
32 a concealed firearm under this chapter.

36 SUMMARY

38 This bill allows a person to carry a concealed firearm in
40 the State if that person has a concealed firearms permit from
another state or country and the permit to carry a concealed
42 firearm from that state or country is granted reciprocity.
Reciprocity is granted to a permit to carry a concealed firearm
from another state or country if:

44 1. The other state or country that issued the permit to
46 carry a concealed firearm has substantially equivalent or
stricter requirements for the issuance of a permit to carry a
48 concealed firearm; and

50 2. The other state or country that issued the permit to

2 carry a concealed firearm observes the same rules of reciprocity
in regards to a person issued a permit to carry a concealed
firearm under Maine law.

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