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H.P. 155

House of Representatives, January 16, 2001

An Act to Provide Free Commercial Shooting Area Licenses For Seniors.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative TRACY of Rome.

Cosponsored by Senator McALEVEY of York and

Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, CHICK of Lebanon, DUNLAP of Old Town,
McGLOCKLIN of Embden, PATRICK of Rumford, STANLEY of Medway, TRAHAN of
Waldoboro, WHEELER of Eliot.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7105, sub-§5** is enacted to read:

6 5. Residents over 70 years of age. The commissioner may
8 issue a free special commercial shooting area hunting license to
10 any resident of the State who is 70 years of age or older upon
12 application to the commissioner. These complimentary licenses,
14 upon issuance, remain valid for the remainder of the life of a
16 license holder, provided the license holder continues to satisfy
18 the residency requirements set out in section 7001, subsection 32
20 and provided the license is not revoked or suspended. A resident
22 who applies for a complimentary license at any time during the
24 calendar year of that resident's 70th birthday must be issued a
license upon application, regardless of the actual date during
that calendar year in which that resident attains 70 years of
age. The application must be accompanied by a birth certificate
or other certified evidence of the applicant's date of birth and
residency. When the holder of a license issued under this
subsection no longer satisfies the residency requirements set out
in section 7001, subsection 32, the license is no longer valid
and further use of the license for purposes of hunting in a
commercial shooting area constitutes a license violation under
section 7371, subsection 3.

26 **SUMMARY**

28 This bill allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and
30 Wildlife to issue free special commercial shooting area hunting
32 licenses to residents of the State who are 70 years of age or
older.