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In Senate, February 28, 2001

An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws Relating to Blaze Orange.

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WOODCOCK of Franklin.

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

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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7406, sub-§12, as repealed and replaced by PL 1991, c. 824, Pt. A, §21, is amended to read:

Hunting without hunter orange clothing.

quilty of hunting without hunter orange clothing if that person

A person is

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hunts with firearms during the open firearm season on deer and fails to wear 2 articles of selid-selered hunter orange clothing that are in good, serviceable condition and visible from all sides, except that persons hunting waterfowl from a boat or blind

or in conjunction with waterfowl decoys need not wear hunter orange clothing. One article of clothing must be a solid-colored

14 hunter orange hat. The other article of clothing must cover a major portion of the torso, such as a jacket, vest, coat or 16 poncho, and must be predominantly hunter orange in color.

presence of a decal on an article of clothing that is otherwise 18 solid-colored hunter orange does not disqualify that article of clothing from satisfying the requirements of this subsection.

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SUMMARY

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Current law requires a hunter to wear 2 articles solid-colored blaze orange clothing. This bill allows one of those articles of clothing to be predominantly blaze orange and the other article must be a solid-colored hunter orange hat.