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House of Representatives, February 4, 2003

An Act To Encourage Dog Tracking of Wounded Big Game Animals

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

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Presented by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro. Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Lincoln and Representative: SNOWE-MELLO of Poland.

Be i	it	enacted	by	the	People	of	the	State	of	Maine	as	follows	;:
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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA $\S7101$, sub- $\S5$, \PN , as enacted by PL 1999, c. 467, $\S1$ and affected by $\S5$, is amended to read:

N. License to use
leashed dogs to track
wounded deer (Permits a
person to use one or more
leashed dogs to track a
lawfully wounded deer, moose or
bear)

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- Sec. 2. Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife directed to amend rules to allow licensed leashed-dog trackers to charge fee. The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall amend its rules to allow a person with a leashed-dog tracking license to charge a fee for dog tracking services.
- Sec. 3. Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife directed to publish list of licensed leashed-dog trackers in department's published hunting rules. The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall list all licensed leashed-dog trackers in any publication of hunting rules the department publishes that is available to the public.

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SUMMARY

30 This bill directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to allow a person licensed to track wounded animals with a leashed dog to charge a fee for the tracking service, adds 32 moose and bear to the list of game animals that the tracker may the department to list licensed 34 track and requires all leashed-dog trackers in any hunting rule publication department makes available to the general public. 36