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House of Representatives, March 15, 2005

An Act To Provide Free Hunting and Fishing Permits to Senior Citizens

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

Millicent M. MacFarland
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative BERUBE of Lisbon. (BY REQUEST)
Cosponsored by Senator COURTNEY of York and
Representatives: ASH of Belfast, CEBRA of Naples, CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth,
JENNINGS of Leeds, MOODY of Manchester.

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

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Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10853, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§3, as affected by PL 2003, c. 614, §9 and amended by c. 655, Pt. B, §§115 and 116 and affected by §422, is further amended to read:

3. Hunting licenses; combination licenses; fees. Hunting licenses and combination licenses for persons 70 years of age or older are at no charge. Hunting licenses, combination licenses and fees for persons under 70 years of age are as follows.

A. A resident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is \$5.

B. A resident hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older and under 70 years of age, is \$19.

C. A resident small game hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older and under 70 years of age, which permits hunting for all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is \$12.

D. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is \$36.

E. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is \$36.

F. A nonresident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is \$25.

G. A nonresident small game hunting license, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is \$55.

H. A nonresident 3-day small game hunting license, valid for 3 consecutive hunting days, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat for the 72-hour period specified on the license, is \$30.

I. A nonresident big game hunting license, which permits hunting of all species including deer and bear, is \$85.

J. A nonresident combination hunting and fishing license is \$123.

2 K. An alien small game hunting license, which permits
3 hunting of all species except deer, bear, turkey, moose,
4 raccoon and bobcat, is \$70.

6 L. An alien big game hunting license, which permits hunting
7 of all species including deer and bear, is \$125.

8 M. An alien combination hunting and fishing license is \$176.

10 N. A license to use leashed dogs to track wounded animals,
11 which permits a person to use one or more leashed dogs to
12 track a lawfully wounded deer, moose or bear, is \$25.

14 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §11402, sub-§4, ¶C**, as enacted by PL 2003, c.
15 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

16 C. Establish a combined senior and youth deer hunting day
17 for persons 70 years of age and older and junior hunters.

20 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §12501, sub-§6**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414,
21 Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

22 **6. Schedule of fees.** A fishing license for a person 70
23 years of age and older is at no charge. The fees for fishing
24 licenses for a person under 70 years of age are as follows.

26 A. A resident fishing license is \$19.

28 B. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is
30 \$36.

32 C. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing
33 license is \$36.

34 D. A nonresident junior fishing license, for persons 12
36 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is \$7.

38 E. A 3-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident,
40 valid for the 72-hour period specified on the license, is
\$21.

42 F. A nonresident 7-day fishing license, valid for 7 days
43 from date indicated on license, is \$34.

44 G. A nonresident 15-day fishing license, valid for 15 days
46 from date indicated on license, is \$38.

48 H. A nonresident season fishing license for persons 16
years of age or older is \$50.

2 I. An alien season fishing license for persons 16 years of
age or older is \$70.

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6 J. A one-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident,
valid for the 24-hour period indicated on license, is \$9.

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SUMMARY

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12 This bill allows senior citizens 70 years of age or older to
hunt on the day established as youth deer hunting day. It also
14 provides a free hunting and fishing license to any person 70
years of age or older.