

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### **An Act To Streamline the Renewal Process for a Permit To Carry a Firearm**

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 17, 2009. Referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative PRATT of Eddington.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CONNOR of Kennebunk, ROBINSON of Raymond.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §393, sub-§2,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 670, §7, is further  
3 amended to read:

4 **2. Application after 5 years.** A person subject to the provisions of subsection 1,  
5 paragraph A-1 or C as a result of a conviction or adjudication may, after the expiration of  
6 5 years from the date that the person is finally discharged from the sentences imposed as  
7 a result of the conviction or adjudication, apply to the commissioner for a permit to carry  
8 a firearm. That person may not be issued a permit to carry a concealed firearm pursuant  
9 to Title 25, chapter 252. A permit issued pursuant to this subsection is valid for 4 years  
10 from the date of issue unless sooner revoked for cause by the commissioner. The  
11 commissioner shall renew a permit issued pursuant to this subsection upon payment of  
12 the filing fee under subsection 6 unless the commissioner has revoked the permit for  
13 cause. For purposes of this subsection, "firearm" does not include a firearm defined  
14 under 18 United States Code, Section 921(3).

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill requires the Commissioner of Public Safety to renew, upon payment of the  
17 filing fee, a permit authorizing a person to carry a firearm who would otherwise be  
18 prohibited from doing so, unless the Commissioner of Public Safety has revoked that  
19 permit for cause.