

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
127TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT “ A ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 114,  
L.D. 156, Bill, “An Act To Lower the Eligibility Age for a Junior Hunting License”

Amend the amendment by striking out the substitute title and replacing it with the following:

**'An Act To Provide That Children under 10 Years of Age May Accompany a Parent while the Parent Is Hunting'**

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the substitute title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10760 is enacted to read:**

**§10760. Authorization for children under 10 years of age to accompany parents or guardians while hunting**

Nothing in this Title may be construed to prohibit a child under 10 years of age from accompanying that child's parent or guardian while that parent or guardian is hunting as long as the child's parent or guardian possesses a valid Maine hunting license or permit. A child who accompanies a parent or guardian pursuant to this section may not carry hunting equipment except that a child who accompanies a parent or guardian pursuant to this section may, while under the direct supervision of the child's parent or guardian, use hunting equipment to dispatch an animal or bird.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment strikes the substance of Committee Amendment "A" and the bill and instead specifies that a child under 10 years of age may accompany that child's parent or guardian while that parent or guardian is hunting as long as the child's parent or guardian possesses a valid Maine hunting license or permit. Under this amendment, a child under

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

1 10 years of age who accompanies a parent or guardian may not carry hunting equipment  
2 except that the child may, while under the direct supervision of the child's parent or  
3 guardian, use hunting equipment to dispatch an animal or bird.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 (See attached)

6 SPONSORED BY: 

7 (Senator DAVIS, SR.)

8 COUNTY: Piscataquis



# 127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 156

LR 718(04)

An Act To Lower the Eligibility Age for a Junior Hunting License

**Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" (S-105)**  
**Sponsor: Sen. Davis, Sr. of Piscataquis**  
**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

## Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue decrease - Federal Expenditures Fund

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Projections FY 2017-18	Projections FY 2018-19
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$27,875	\$27,875	\$27,875	\$27,875
<b>Revenue</b>				
General Fund	(\$27,875)	(\$27,875)	(\$27,875)	(\$27,875)

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment removes the elimination of the minimum age requirement to obtain a junior hunting license that was included in the committee amendment and keeps the minimum age at 10 years old to obtain this license. This reverses the estimated \$27,875 annual increase in General Fund revenue from allowing children younger than 10 to be eligible for a junior hunting license. The amendment also removes the estimated \$25,445 annual increase in Federal Expenditures Fund revenue that the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife expected to receive from federal grants that are based on hunting licenses sold.