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**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
128TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 348, L.D. 485, Bill, "An Act To Allow Migratory Game Birds To Be Hunted on Sundays"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act To Allow Hunting of Migratory Game Birds on Sundays and Prohibit Hunting of Migratory Game Birds on Wednesdays'**

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

**'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11205, sub-§1, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

A. Hunt wild animals or wild birds on Sunday, except that a person may hunt migratory game birds other than the American woodcock in accordance with this Part as long as any hunting on agricultural land is with the landowner's permission; or

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11205-A** is enacted to read:

**§11205-A. Hunting migratory birds on Wednesday**

**1. Prohibition.** A person may not:

A. Hunt migratory game birds on Wednesday; or

B. Possess any migratory game bird taken in violation of paragraph A except as otherwise provided in this Part.

**2. Penalties.** A person who violates subsection 1 commits a Class E crime.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill. The bill allows hunting of migratory game birds on Sundays. The amendment allows hunting of migratory game birds, except the American woodcock, on Sundays. The amendment prohibits hunting migratory game birds on Sundays from agricultural land except with the landowner's permission. The

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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1 amendment prohibits hunting migratory game birds on Wednesdays and possession of a  
2 migratory game bird that was hunted on a Wednesday. The amendment provides that a  
3 person who hunts migratory game birds on a Wednesday or possesses a migratory game  
4 bird that was hunted on a Wednesday commits a Class E crime.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 485

LR 946(02)

An Act To Allow Migratory Game Birds To Be Hunted on Sundays

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund  
Minor revenue increase - General Fund

### Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

Establishes new Class E crimes.

The collection of additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife as a result of the provisions allowing the hunting of migratory game birds, except the American Woodcock, on agricultural land with the landowner's permission on Sundays and prohibiting the hunting of migratory game birds on Wednesdays are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.