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L.D. 553

Date: 4/21/17

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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. 395, L.D. 553, Bill, "An Act To Offer Hunters 65 Years of Age or Older Who Have Accumulated at Least 30 Points a Guaranteed Moose Permit"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, current law allows a resident 70 years of age or older who has accumulated the necessary number of points to be awarded a moose hunting permit without participating in the public chance lottery for a moose permit; and

Whereas, many residents 70 years of age and older are unable to hunt moose at that age; and

Whereas, residents 65 years of age and older are better able to hunt moose if awarded a moose hunting permit; and

Whereas, this legislation must take effect before the end of the 90-day period so that it takes effect in time for the upcoming moose hunting season; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 553

LR 694(02)

An Act To Offer Hunters 65 Years of Age or Older Who Have Accumulated at Least 30 Points a Guaranteed Moose Permit

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

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional cost to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife as a result of lowering the guaranteed moose permit selection criteria age limit from 70 to 65 are anticipated to be minor and be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.