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An Act To Require a Nonresident To Hire a Licensed Maine Guide To Hunt Big Game

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on February 4, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and
Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot, Representative:
MARTIN of Sinclair.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11226-B** is enacted to read:

3 **§11226-B. Nonresident big game hunter; guide required**

4 A nonresident may not hunt moose, deer or bear without being accompanied by a
5 person who holds a valid guide license pursuant to chapter 927 authorizing that person to
6 act as a hunting guide, except that a nonresident may hunt moose, deer or bear without a
7 hunting guide if the nonresident is the resident of a state or a province of Canada that has
8 a reciprocity agreement with the State allowing Maine residents to hunt moose, deer or bear
9 without having to be accompanied by a guide.

10 **SUMMARY**

11 The bill prohibits a nonresident from hunting moose, deer or bear without being
12 accompanied by a licensed Maine guide if the nonresident is from a state or a province of
13 Canada without a reciprocity agreement with the State allowing Maine citizens to hunt
14 there without a guide.