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H.P. 349

House of Representatives, February 9, 2023

An Act to Increase the Chance of Receiving a Moose Permit for Maine Service Members and Veterans

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BOYER of Poland.
Cosponsored by Senator FARRIN of Somerset and
Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, CRAY of Palmyra, HYMES of Waldo, PERKINS of
Dover-Foxcroft, RISEMAN of Harrison, RUDNICKI of Fairfield, STROUT of Harrington,
SUPICA of Bangor.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11154, sub-§8**, as repealed and replaced by PL 2011, c. 370,
3 §8, is amended by amending the first blocked paragraph to read:

4 Each point entitles an applicant to one chance in the public chance drawing, except that, if
5 a person is a resident of the State and is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States
6 or Maine National Guard on active duty or is a veteran of either, that person accumulates
7 points at a rate that is 2 times what is provided in paragraphs A to D. A person's
8 accumulated points are eliminated and that person begins to accumulate points anew if in
9 any year that person is selected to receive a moose hunting permit or if that person fails to
10 purchase a new chance in any 2 consecutive years.

11 **SUMMARY**

12 This bill increases the number of points that a person accumulates each year that person
13 applies for a moose hunting permit but is not successful if that person is a Maine resident
14 and a member of the Armed Forces of the United States or Maine National Guard on active
15 duty or is a veteran of either.