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House of Representatives, December 11, 2025

An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding Moose Hunting Permits for Hunting Outfitters

Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 203. Received by the Clerk of the House on December 9, 2025. Referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MASON of Lisbon.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 3	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11154, sub-§14, ¶D, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 538, §24, is amended to read:
4 5 6	D. A permit allocated under this subsection may be used only for the year, season, sex and wildlife management district for which the permit is issued. A deferment may not be granted under subsection 17 or 18 for a permit allocated under this subsection.
7	Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11154, sub-§14, ¶H is enacted to read:
8 9	H. A recipient of a moose permit granted under this subsection may not sell a subpermittee or an alternate subpermitee designation.
10	SUMMARY
11 12 13 14	This bill prohibits a hunting outfitter from deferring a moose hunting permit due to significant medical illness or due to a single household's holding multiple permits. The bill also clarifies that a recipient of a moose permit from a hunting outfitter may not sell a subpermittee or an alternate subpermittee designation.