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In Senate, January 13, 1942.

Referred to Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. Sent down for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hanold of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-TWO

AN ACT Regulating Hunting and Fishing Licenses of Soldiers and Sailors.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, a state of war exists between the United States and Germany, Italy, Japan and other foreign countries; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature this fact creates an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and requires the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 38, § 19, amended. Paragraph (2) of section 19 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(2) Each resident of the state and each non-resident shall purchase from the commissioner or his authorized agent the written license of the commissioner, which shall be kept upon the person while fishing or transporting fish, and shall be exhibited to any warden, employee of this department, or guide, upon request. All employees and soldiers regularly employed at the Veterans' Administration Facility shall be, and hereby are, classified as residents of this state for the purpose of obtaining fishing

licenses, and shall pay the same fees and be held to the same laws, rules and regulations as residents of this state. **All persons who are serving in the armed forces of the United States, and who are stationed in this state at the time they apply for a Maine fishing license shall be, and hereby are, classified as residents of this state for the purpose of obtaining fishing licenses. Provided, however, that these resident privileges shall cease 6 months after cessation of hostilities.** The clerks of all towns are such authorized agents and for the issuance of non-resident licenses the commissioner may, subject to recall at his pleasure, designate additional agents. A license shall be issued to a resident by the clerk of the town in which he resides, or if he is domiciled in an unorganized place, then by the clerk of the nearest town, upon payment of a fee of \$1.15, of which 15c shall be retained by the town clerk. **A combination hunting and fishing license may be issued on payment of \$2.15, 15c to be retained by the town clerk.** No town or city clerk or other person, shall wilfully issue resident fishing licenses to any person other than a bona fide resident of the town or city in which said license is issued, under penalty of \$10 for each license so issued.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 38, § 41, amended. Paragraph 2 of section 41 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'2. No resident shall hunt or have in his possession any wild bird or wild animal without first having procured from the commissioner or his authorized agent a written license which shall be kept upon the person while hunting or transporting such birds and animals and exhibited to any warden, employee of this department, or guide upon request. All employees and soldiers regularly employed at the Veterans' Administration Facility shall be, and hereby are, classified as residents of this state for the purpose of obtaining hunting licenses, and shall pay the same fees and be held to the same laws, rules and regulations as residents of this state. **All persons who are serving in the armed forces of the United States and who are stationed in this state at the time they apply for a Maine hunting license shall be, and hereby are, classified as residents of this state for the purpose of obtaining hunting licenses. Provided, however, that these resident privileges shall cease 6 months after the cessation of hostilities.** The clerks of all towns are such authorized agents, and the commissioner may appoint additional agents. The license shall be issued to a resident by the clerk of the town in which the applicant resides, or if domiciled in an unorganized place, then by the clerk of the nearest town, upon payment of a fee of \$1.15, of which 15c shall be retained by the town clerk. A combination hunting and fishing license may be issued on payment of \$2.15, 15c to

be retained by the town clerk. No town or city clerk or other person, shall issue resident hunting licenses to any person other than a bona fide resident of the town or city in which said license is issued, under penalty of \$10 for each license so issued.'