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House of Representatives, February 10, 1943.

Referred to Committee on Salaries and Fees. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Haskell of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Fishing and Hunting Licenses.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 38, § 19, sub-§§ (2), (3), (8), amended. Subsections (2), (3), and (8) of section 19 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, are 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~~ \$1.25 of which ~~15 cents~~ 25c shall be retained by the town clerk. A combination hunting and fishing license may be issued on payment of ~~\$2.15~~ \$2.25, ~~15c~~ 25c 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.

(3) Non-resident fishing licenses shall be of 3 classes, a 15-day license to cost ~~\$3.15~~ \$3.25, effective for 15 days from the date of purchase thereof, and a season license, effective for the entire season, to cost ~~\$5.15~~ \$5.25, but the amount paid for a 15-day license shall be credited on the purchase of a year license upon an additional payment of ~~\$2.15~~ \$2.25, also a junior non-resident license, which shall be a season license covering all non-residents between the ages of 10 and 16 years, to cost ~~\$1.15~~ \$1.25. ~~Fifteen cents~~ **Twenty-five cents** shall be retained by the agent for each license issued.

(8) Any citizen of the United States who is a resident thereof may procure a 3-day fishing license good for 3 days from the date of purchase thereof, upon the payment of ~~\$1.65~~ \$1.75, ~~15 cents~~ 25c to be retained by the agent issuing the same; said days must be plainly enumerated on the face of the license. Any resident of the state of Maine who procures a 3-day license may exchange the same for the annual resident fishing license in the town in which he resides upon the payment of ~~15 cents~~ 25c to the clerk or agent who issues same.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 38, § 41, sub-§§ (2), (3), (6), amended. Subsections (2), (3), and (6) of section 41 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, are 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 the 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~~ \$1.25, of which ~~15 cents~~ 25c shall be retained by the town clerk. A combination hunting and fishing license may be issued on payment of ~~\$2.15~~ \$2.25, ~~15 cents~~ 25c 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.

(3) No non-resident or alien shall hunt or have in his possession any wild bird or 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. In addition to town clerks the commissioner may, subject to recall at his pleasure, designate additional agents to issue licenses.

The license to hunt wild birds, rabbits, foxes and unprotected wild birds or wild animals only shall be issued on payment of ~~\$10.15~~ \$10.25 and to hunt both wild birds and wild animals on payment of ~~\$15.15~~ \$15.25, of which ~~15 cents~~ 25c shall be retained by the agent issuing the license.

(6) Any non-resident under the age of 16 years with the consent of his parent or guardian, may buy a junior non-resident hunting license to hunt wild birds, rabbits, foxes and unprotected wild birds and animals only, on the payment of ~~\$2.15~~ \$2.25, of which ~~15 cents~~ 25c shall be retained by the agent issuing the license. Any resident under the age of 18 years may hunt without a license if accompanied at all times by a parent or guardian while in the fields or forests or on the waters or ice of the state with firearms in his possession, except that any resident under the age of 18 may procure a license to hunt by filing with the clerk issuing the license the written consent of his parent or guardian.'