

NINETY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bubar of Blaine.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Payments to Estates of Persons Killed in Hunting.

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

R. S., c. 33, §§ 127-A and 127-B, additional. Chapter 33 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new sections, to be numbered 127-A and 127-B, to read as follows:

'Fund for Estates of Persons Killed

Sec. 127-A. Additional license fee. In addition to license fees established by law for resident and non-resident hunting licenses and resident and non-resident combinations of hunting and fishing licenses, a fee of 75c per license shall be paid. Such additional fee shall be credited to the department of inland fisheries and game to be expended for the purposes specified in section 127-B. Any unexpended balances shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuing carrying account.

Sec. 127-B. Fund; purposes. Upon vouchers approved by the commissioner, the state shall pay to the executor or administrator of the estate of any person killed by another while hunting the sum of \$5,000. Such amount shall be paid from the fund created by section 127-A. Whenever such fund, at the beginning of any calendar year, contains \$100,000 or more, the commissioner, with the approval of the governor and council, may expend any amount over such \$100,000 for research and investigation to determine the causes of, and institute preventive measures for deaths occurring in the woods during the hunting season.'

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