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STATE OF MAINE

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B. Nonresident 5-day muzzle-loading hunting license \$25

C. Alien 5-day muzzle-loading hunting license \$50

4. Open season. There shall be a special muzzle-loading open season on deer on the first 6 hunting days after the regular deer hunting season for the purpose of hunting deer. The commissioner may terminate this open season at any time, in any area, if, in his opinion, an immediate emergency action is necessary due to adverse weather conditions or severe hunting pressure.

5. Restrictions. The following restrictions apply during the muzzle-loading open season.

A. Section 7457, subsection 1, paragraph H, as regards the commissioner's authority to regulate the harvest of antlerless deer, shall be applicable during the muzzle-loading hunting season.

B. A muzzle-loading rifle equipped with any type of telescope or telescope sight may not be used during any special muzzle-loading open season.

C. Deer tags for the muzzle-loading open season shall be issued for use in the same manner as regular deer tags.

D. If a person takes a deer during any open season on deer, he is precluded from further hunting for deer during that year.

E. Except as provided in this section, chapters 701 to 721 relating to deer apply to the taking of deer with muzzle-loading rifles.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 321

S.P. 495 - L.D. 1321.

AN ACT to Authorize the Public Utilities
Commission to Act on an Expedited
Basis in Certain Cases.

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

35 MRSA §293, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 694, §664, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

In proceedings pursuant to section 291, 296 or 306, after reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard, the commission may issue a temporary order pending the conclusion of the formal public hearing. In making such an order, the commission shall consider the likelihood that such an order would be issued at the conclusion of the proceeding, the benefit to the public or affected customers compared to the harm to the utility or other customers of issuing such an order and the public interest. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, upon a written finding that the procedural requirements otherwise required by law will result in unreasonable harm to a utility, a customer or the public, the commission may establish such accelerated notice periods, schedules and limitations on hearings as may be necessary to expedite consideration of such an order.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 322

H.P. 514 - L.D. 719

AN ACT Defining the Right of Employees of
Public Utilities to Testify before
Legislative Committees and the Public
Utilities Commission.

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

35 MRSA §21 is enacted to read:

§21. Testimony provided by employees of public utilities to legislative committees and to the Public Utilities Commission

1. Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Employee" means a person who performs a service for wages or other remuneration under a con-