

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2009**

### **§9. Issuance of free fishing license and free hunting license to veterans**

The Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, in accordance with a memorandum of agreement entered into with the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and this section, shall issue a free fishing license and free hunting license to eligible veterans who meet other criteria of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the issuance of licenses.

**1. Eligibility.** The Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management shall determine, based on an examination of an individual's discharge certificate from active duty services, also known as the DD214, whether the following criteria are met:

A. The person is a resident of this State;

B. The person received an honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions; and

C. Between October 1, 2001 and January 1, 2010, while a member of the Maine National Guard or an active or reserve member of the uniformed services as defined in 10 United States Code, Section 101(a)(5), the person served for a minimum of 3 continuous months outside the United States either:

(1) On an operational mission for which members of the reserve were ordered to active duty; or

(2) During a period of war declared by the United States Congress or a period of national emergency declared by the President of the United States or Congress.

**2. Duration of licenses.** A license issued in accordance with this section is valid for a minimum of 12 months from the date of an eligible veteran's discharge from active duty. The memorandum of agreement between the commissioners may allow issuance of licenses for a period longer than 12 months.

**3. Responsibilities of commissioner.** The Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management shall identify a point of contact within the department to issue licenses in accordance with this section and the memorandum of agreement entered into with the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management shall periodically report to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife with a listing of the names and addresses of all persons receiving fishing licenses and hunting licenses and the expiration dates for those licenses.

**4. Repeal.** This section is repealed June 30, 2010.

**Sec. 7. Transition.** A free day use pass to state parks and historic sites issued to a veteran in accor-

dance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 37-B, section 6 prior to June 30, 2010 is valid for free admission for the veteran and that veteran's spouse and children when they are accompanying the pass holder until the expiration date on the pass. A pass issued after the effective date of this Act entitles only the veteran to free day use admission.

The Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management shall accept requests for passes under Title 37-B, section 8 on the effective date of this Act and begin issuing the new passes no later than 6 months after the effective date of this Act. Pending issuance of the passes by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management pursuant to Title 37-B, section 8, state parks and historic sites shall grant free day use admission to a veteran upon the veteran's good faith production of easily recognizable identification, including but not limited to discharge papers and license plates.

### **Sec. 8. Authority to submit legislation.**

The Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature regarding the issuance of free day use passes to veterans.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective June 18, 2009.

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## **CHAPTER 441**

### **H.P. 34 - L.D. 39**

#### **An Act To Enhance Motorcycle Safety**

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

**Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1352** is enacted to read:

#### **§1352. Installation of rumble strip signs**

The department shall install signs on any state highway where centerline rumble strips are located to inform a driver that the driver is approaching a rumble strip. The signs must be placed in advance of the centerline rumble strip for both directions of travel where passing is permitted at a location to be determined by the department. The lettering, style, colors, size and format of the sign must comply with the latest edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices published by the Federal Highway Administration under 23 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 655, Subpart F as adopted by the department.

See title page for effective date.

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