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# **LAWS**

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# **STATE OF MAINE**

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by the Superior Court under the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 80B. Any such decision that is not timely appealed is subject to the same preclusive effect as otherwise provided by law. Any board of appeals shall hear any appeal submitted to the board in accordance with Title 28-A, section 1054.

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## CHAPTER 145 S.P. 304 - L.D. 879

### An Act To Increase State Wildlife Revenues and Grow the Hunting and Fishing Industries

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

- **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10853, sub-§4,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 651, §10, is further amended to read:
- 4. Disabled veteran. A resident disabled veteran or a nonresident disabled veteran who is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont may obtain upon application, at no cost, all hunting, trapping and fishing licenses, including permits, stamps and other permission needed to hunt, trap and fish, and, upon meeting the qualifications as established in section 12853, subsection 4, a guide license. The commissioner shall issue all fishing, trapping and hunting licenses and permits requested under this subsection if the commissioner determines the applicant is a resident disabled veteran and is not otherwise ineligible to hold that permit or license. For the purposes of this subsection, "resident disabled veteran" means a person who:
  - A. Is a resident as defined in section 10001, subsection 53 or is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont;
  - B. Is a veteran as defined in Title 37-B, section 505, subsection 2, paragraph A, subparagraph (3); and
  - C. Has a service-connected disability evaluated at:
    - (1) One hundred percent; or
    - (2) Seventy percent or more as a result of honorable military service and who has served in a combat zone during any armed conflict in which participants were exposed to war risk hazards as defined in 42 United States Code, Section 1711 (b).

Each application must be accompanied by satisfactory evidence that the applicant meets the requirements of this subsection. An applicant for a license or permit under this section is subject to the provisions of this Part, including, but not limited to, a lottery or drawing system for issuing a particular license or permit. A permit or license issued under this subsection remains valid for the life of the permit or license holder, as long as the permit or license holder continues to satisfy the residency requirement in section 10001, subsection 53 and the permit or license is not revoked or suspended. For a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont to be eligible under this subsection, that resident's state must have a reciprocal agreement with this State.

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# CHAPTER 146 S.P. 121 - L.D. 326

### An Act To Update the Maine Emergency Management Laws

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

- **Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA §701, sub-§3,** as enacted by PL 1983, c. 460, §3, is amended to read:
- **3. Emergency powers.** Confer upon the Governor and the executive heads of governing bodies of the political subdivisions of the State certain emergency powers; and
- **Sec. 2. 37-B MRSA §701, sub-§4,** as repealed and replaced by PL 2003, c. 510, Pt. A, §32, is amended to read:
- **4. Mutual aid.** Provide for the rendering of mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the State and with other states and provinces of Canada for the accomplishment of emergency management functions: and
- Sec. 3. 37-B MRSA §701, sub-§5 is enacted to read:
- 5. Homeland security. Authorize the Maine Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the State's homeland security-related preparedness, response, recovery, prevention and protection activities.
- **Sec. 4. 37-B MRSA §702,** as amended by PL 2001, c. 662, §73, is further amended to read:

#### §702. Policy

It is declared to be the policy of the State that all emergency management <u>and homeland security</u> functions be coordinated to the maximum extent with the comparable functions of the Federal Government, including its various departments and agencies, of other states and localities, and of private agencies so that the most effective preparation and use may be made of the