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outside of the United States and home on leave is exempt from crossbow hunter education course requirements under subsection 3 if that member shows proof at the time of application for the license that that member's home state of record, as recorded in that person's military service records, is Maine. A person who no longer meets the requirements of this subsection must satisfy the conditions for exemption under subsection 3.

PART F

- **Sec. F-1. 12 MRSA §12953, sub-§3, ¶C,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:
 - C. The application must be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$10 \$50.
- **Sec. F-2. 12 MRSA §12953, sub-§§4 and 5,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, are amended to read:
- **4. Examination.** An applicant for a license shall appear at a time and place designated by the commissioner to be examined by means of written, practical and oral tests as the commissioner determines. The commissioner shall determine the form and content of examinations. The examination fee is \$50 and is non-refundable. An applicant may retake the examination once without paying an additional examination fee.
- **5. Reexamination.** The commissioner may require a taxidermist to be reexamined if the commissioner receives a written complaint and, upon investigation, finds that the taxidermist no longer meets the qualifications to be licensed as a taxidermist. Beginning January 1, 2016, an examination is also required for any person who has not held a valid taxidermist license within the previous 3 years.
- **Sec. F-3. 12 MRSA §12953, sub-§6,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §34, is further amended to read:
- **6.** License and fee. License applicants who successfully meet the qualifications set forth in this section must be issued a license upon payment of a \$67 \\$77 fee for a 3-year license. This fee is in addition to the \$12 \\$50 examination fee.
- **Sec. F-4. 12 MRSA §12953, sub-§7,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §35, is further amended to read:
- 7. Renewal of license; fees. Licenses issued pursuant to this section run for a period of 3 years, from the current year of issuance until the 30th 31st day of June following the date of the December in the 3rd year after issuance, on which date the license terminates unless it is revoked sooner. Subject to any revocation or suspension, A taxidermist whose license is not suspended or revoked may renew the license or permit may be renewed annually every 3 years upon

application by the licensee accompanied by a \$77 license fee.

Sec. F-5. Transition. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 12953, subsection 7, a license issued under Title 12, section 12953 after June 30, 2015 and before December 31, 2015 is valid until December 31, 2016.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 282 H.P. 960 - L.D. 1413

An Act To Allow an Attorney To Speak or Provide a Written Statement for a Victim at Sentencing

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

- **Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1174, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 1995, c. 680, §5, is amended to read:
- **1.** The victim must be provided the opportunity to participate at sentencing by:
 - A. Making an oral statement in open court; or
 - B. Submitting a written statement to the court either directly or through the attorney for the State. A written statement must be made part of the record.

An attorney for the victim may submit a written statement or make an oral statement on the victim's behalf.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 283 H.P. 977 - L.D. 1432

An Act To Consolidate the Investigation of Out-of-home Child Abuse and Neglect

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

- **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4021, sub-§3, ¶C,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 132, §1, is further amended to read:
 - C. Upon the request of a department employee, school officials shall permit the department to meet with and interview the child when the child is present at the school.
 - (1) School officials may require that the department employee requesting to interview the child provide a written certification that in