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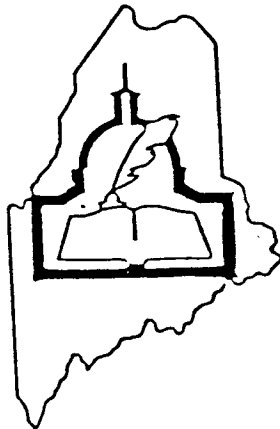
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE
BILL SUMMARY



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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

Section 1 defines conviction to mean a judgment of a court in favor of the State in either a civil or criminal proceeding. This is necessary in order for the commissioner to revoke licenses in those instances where fish and wildlife violations are handled through civil process.

Section 2 removes a civil penalty from the section which now deals exclusively with criminal penalties.

Section 3 defines which offenses are civil violations and sets forth the applicable penalties. Section 3 also establishes that charging a civil rather than a criminal violation is a matter of prosecutorial discretion.

Section 4 allows a person who has been summonsed for a criminal offense to answer to a civil complaint without further service or process, although failure to appear may result in a default judgment if the prosecutor has chosen the civil violation.

LD: 298 AN ACT TO REMOVE THE FEES FOR SELLING EMERSON
OUT-OF-STATE HUNTING LICENSES

ONTP HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
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SUMMARY:

The purpose of this bill is to remove the fees imposed on agents for selling out-of-state hunting licenses.

LD: 338 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF JACQUES
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE TO CONTINUE MATTHEWS Z
TO REGULATE THE HARVEST OF ANTLERLESS DEER USHER

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted GREENLAW
SENATE Enacted PUBLIC
GOV SIGNED CH # 230

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SUMMARY:

The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife currently has authority to regulate the harvest of antlerless deer in any area of the State. This authority became effective on January 1, 1983, and is scheduled to terminate early in 1986. Without a change in the current statute, Maine will be back to either sex deer hunting on a statewide basis in the fall of 1986.