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permission of the owner of that building or residential dwelling or, in the owner's absence, of an adult occupant of that building or dwelling authorized to act on behalf of the owner.

LD 635 An Act Relating to Hunting with a Noise Suppression Device

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 112 does the following.

1. It repeals the law prohibiting the use of a noise suppression device when hunting without a noise suppression device permit.
2. It repeals the law relating to the use of noise suppression devices, including the permit requirement as well as the current enhanced penalties and mandatory license revocations that apply to committing hunting crimes while using a noise suppression device.
3. It creates a new provision providing for the suspension of a person's hunting license for at least three years if that person is convicted of any of the violations listed in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 10902, subsection 6 and found to have been in possession of a firearm with a noise suppression device. The violations listed in Title 12, section 10902, subsection 6 are violations for which a mandatory license revocation of at least one year currently applies.

LD 770 Resolve, To Direct the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Examine Issues Related to Hunting Dogs and Civil Trespass

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 77 does the following.

1. It directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a stakeholder group to examine issues related to hunting dogs and civil trespass. The department must ensure that the stakeholder group is as broadly representative of interested parties and groups as possible and invite participation from at least the following: representatives of affected landowners and persons who use dogs in hunting and others with interest in or expertise on the subject matter of the examination. The department may include or involve the Landowners and Sportsmen Relations Advisory Board in the work of the stakeholder group.
2. It directs the department to report the findings and recommendations resulting from the examination to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 3, 2022. The committee may report out a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the 130th Legislature.