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An Act To Adjust Fees for Certain Resident and Nonresident Licenses, Registrations and Permits Issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §4, is further amended to read:

3. Hunting licenses; combination licenses; fees. Hunting licenses, combination licenses and fees are as follows.

A. A resident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is \$7.

B. A resident hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older, is \$21\$19.

C. A resident small game hunting license, for a person 16 years of age or older, which permits hunting for all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is \$14.

D. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is \$38\$35.

E. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is \$38.

F. A nonresident junior hunting license, for a person 10 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is \$27\$33.

G. A nonresident small game hunting license, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is $\frac{67}{81}$.

H. A nonresident 3-day small game hunting license, valid for 3 consecutive hunting days, which permits hunting of all legal species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat for the 72-hour period specified on the license, is $\frac{42\$51}{1}$.

I. A nonresident big game hunting license, which permits hunting of all species including deer and bear, is $\frac{102\$123}{123}$.

J. A nonresident combination hunting and fishing license is \$137\$165.

K. An alien small game hunting license, which permits hunting of all species except deer, bear, turkey, moose, raccoon and bobcat, is \$72\$87.

L. An alien big game hunting license, which permits hunting of all species including deer and bear, is $\frac{127}{153}$.

M. An alien combination hunting and fishing license is <u>\$178\$214</u>.

N. A license to use leashed dogs to track wounded animals, which permits a person to use one or more leashed dogs to track a lawfully wounded deer, moose or bear, is \$27.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2005, c. 397, Pt. E, §7, is further amended to read:

5. Muzzle-loading permits and fees. Muzzle-loading hunting permits and fees are as follows:

A. A resident muzzle-loading hunting permit is \$13;

B. A nonresident muzzle-loading hunting permit is \$62\$75; and

C. An alien muzzle-loading hunting permit is \$72<u>\$87</u>.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§7, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §5, is further amended to read:

7. Archery hunting licenses; combination licenses; fees. Archery hunting licenses, combination licenses and fees are as follows:

A. A resident archery license is \$21;

B. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is \$38;

C. A nonresident archery license is \$62\$75; and

D. An alien archery license is $\frac{72\$87}{2}$.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§9, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 419, §5 and as affected by §12, is amended to read:

9. Crossbow licenses and fees. Crossbow hunting licenses and fees are as follows:

A. A resident crossbow hunting license is \$25;

B. A nonresident crossbow hunting license is \$48\$58; and

C. An alien crossbow hunting license is $\frac{72\$87}{2}$.

Sec. 5. 12 MRSA §11151, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §7, is further amended to read:

3. Issuance; permit fee. The commissioner, through the commissioner's authorized agent, shall issue a bear hunting permit to an eligible person. The annual fee for each permit issued is \$27 for residents and $\frac{67}{81}$ for nonresidents.

Sec. 6. 12 MRSA §11154, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §9, is further amended to read:

3. Moose hunting permit fee. The fee for a moose hunting permit is \$52 for a resident and $\frac{4775573}{573}$ for a nonresident or alien.

Sec. 7. 12 MRSA §11155, sub-§1-B, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §11, is amended to read:

1-B. Issuance; permit fee. The commissioner, through the commissioner's authorized agent, shall issue a wild turkey hunting permit to an eligible person. The annual fee for a wild turkey hunting permit is \$20 for residents and \$47<u>\$57</u> for nonresidents and aliens.

Sec. 8. 12 MRSA §12201, sub-§6, ¶C, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §23, is further amended to read:

C. A nonresident trapping license is $\frac{3103372}{372}$.

Sec. 9. 12 MRSA §12501, sub-§6, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §24, is further amended to read:

6. Schedule of fees. The fees for fishing licenses are as follows.

A. A resident fishing license is \$21.

B. A resident combination hunting and fishing license is \$38.

C. A resident combination archery hunting and fishing license is \$38.

D. A nonresident junior fishing license, for persons 12 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, is $\frac{9911}{1}$.

E. A 3-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident, valid for the 72-hour period specified on the license, is \$23 for a resident and \$28 for a nonresident.

F. A nonresident 7-day fishing license, valid for 7 days from <u>the</u> date indicated on <u>the</u> license, is $\frac{336\$44}{4}$.

G. A nonresident 15-day fishing license, valid for 15 days from <u>the</u> date indicated on <u>the</u> license, is $\frac{40}{48}$.

H. A nonresident season fishing license for persons 16 years of age or older is $\frac{52}{63}$.

I. An alien season fishing license for persons 16 years of age or older is $\frac{72\$87}{10}$.

J. A one-day fishing license for a resident or nonresident, valid for the 24-hour period indicated on <u>the</u> license, is \$11.

Sec. 10. 12 MRSA §12954, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §36, is further amended to read:

B. For a nonresident hide dealer, $\frac{110}{132}$.

Sec. 11. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §41, is further amended to read:

B. For nonresidents:

(1) Forty-three<u>Fifty-two</u> dollars for a 3-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 3-day registration in any season;

(2) Fifty-cightSeventy dollars for a 10-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 10-day registration in any season; and

(3) <u>Sixty-eightSeventy-two</u> dollars for a seasonal registration.

The registration for a snowmobile owned by a nonresident must specify the dates for which the registration is valid.

Sec. 12. 12 MRSA §13155, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §43, is further amended to read:

5. Fees. The annual registration fee for an ATV is \$33 for a resident and <u>\$68</u><u>\$82</u> for a nonresident.

SUMMARY

This bill adjusts certain fees charged by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. It increases certain nonresident license, permit and registration fees by approximately 20% and reduces the resident hunting license and the resident combination hunting and fishing license by \$3 each.