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An Act To Expand the Moose Hunting Season

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11552, sub-§2, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 and affected by c. 614, §9, is amended to read:

B. The length of the moose hunting season, except that the moose hunting season may be no fewer than 3 weeks; and

Sec. 2. District classification. The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall by rule ensure that parameters for allocation of moose permit types within Wildlife Management District 2 match the parameters for allocation of moose permit types within Wildlife Management District 3 that were in effect for the 2008 moose hunting season. Rules adopted under this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

SUMMARY

This bill amends the provision that authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish the length of the moose hunting season by establishing a 3-week minimum moose hunting season while retaining the authority of the commissioner to determine the timing of those 3 weeks.

The bill also requires that the moose hunting permit type allocation parameters for Wildlife Management District 2 match the permit type allocation parameters that were in effect for Wildlife Management District 3 in the 2008 moose hunt.