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**An Act To Require a Nonresident To Hire a Licensed Maine Guide
To Hunt Big Game**

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and
Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot, Representative:
MARTIN of Sinclair.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11226-B** is enacted to read:

3 **§11226-B. Nonresident big game hunter; guide required**

4 A nonresident may not hunt moose, deer or bear without being accompanied by a
5 person who holds a valid guide license pursuant to chapter 927 authorizing that person to
6 act as a hunting guide, except that a nonresident may hunt moose, deer or bear without a
7 hunting guide if the nonresident is the resident of a state or a province of Canada that has
8 a reciprocity agreement with the State allowing Maine residents to hunt moose, deer or bear
9 without having to be accompanied by a guide.

10 **SUMMARY**

11 The bill prohibits a nonresident from hunting moose, deer or bear without being
12 accompanied by a licensed Maine guide if the nonresident is from a state or a province of
13 Canada without a reciprocity agreement with the State allowing Maine citizens to hunt
14 there without a guide.