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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 100, L.D. 142, Bill, “An Act To Expand Deer Hunting Opportunities for Junior Hunters”

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 5-A (page 1, lines 3 to 12 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'5-A. Permit transfer to junior hunter. Notwithstanding subsection 5, a junior hunter may take an antlerless deer if another person who is 18 years of age or older and holds a valid antlerless deer permit transfers that permit to that junior hunter by identifying the name and address of the transferee on the permit as well as any other information reasonably requested by the commissioner and then returns the permit to the department at least 48 hours prior to the junior hunter's hunting antlerless deer. Upon transfer of the antlerless deer permit to a junior hunter, the transferor may not hunt an antlerless deer pursuant to the transferred permit but remains eligible, unless otherwise prohibited, to take a deer other than an antlerless deer in accordance with this Part.

The commissioner shall record a transfer under this subsection and return the permit to the transferee. A valid permit must be in the possession of the transferee in order for the transferee to take an antlerless deer.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. It provides that an antlerless deer permit holder who is 18 years of age or older may transfer the antlerless deer permit to a person who holds a junior hunting license at least 48 hours prior to the time the person holding the junior hunting license hunts for antlerless deer. Once the antlerless deer permit is transferred, the transferor loses the right to take an antlerless deer under that permit but remains eligible, unless otherwise prohibited, to take an antlered deer in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, Part 13.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT