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House of Representatives, January 17, 2019

An Act To Require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Implement a Firearm Safety and Firearm Violence Prevention Program

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

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Presented by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10103, sub-§13 is enacted to read:

13. Firearm safety and firearm violence prevention program. Beginning July 1, 2020 and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall develop and implement a program focused on increasing the awareness and education of the public on matters relating to firearm safety and the prevention of firearm violence. In developing and implementing the program, the commissioner may consult with public and private entities with expertise in firearm safety and the prevention of firearm violence, including, but not limited to, the Department of Public Safety. The program may include, but is not limited to, print, radio, television and Internet advertising, the distribution of written materials and the offering or facilitation of public events.

12 SUMMARY

This bill requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop and implement a program focused on increasing the awareness and education of the public on matters relating to firearm safety and the prevention of firearm violence. The program may include, but is not limited to, print, radio, television and Internet advertising, the distribution of written materials and the offering or facilitation of public events.