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In Senate, February 3, 2015

An Act To Allow Nonresident College Students To Obtain Resident Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Licenses

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

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HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

Cosponsored by Senators: BRAKEY of Androscoggin, BURNS of Washington, CYRWAY of Kennebec, DIAMOND of Cumberland, HAMPER of Oxford, KATZ of Kennebec, SAVIELLO of Franklin, Representative: MARTIN of Sinclair.

- 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
- 2 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10752, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

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7. Nonresident student enrolled in an institution of higher education. A
nonresident enrolled as a full-time student in an institution of higher education is eligible
for any trapping, fishing, hunting or combination fishing and hunting license or permit
under this Part at the resident fee and has the same privileges as a resident of this State in
regard to trapping, hunting and fishing.

8 In order to obtain a resident trapping, hunting, fishing or combination fishing and hunting 9 license or permit, a nonresident student must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the 10 commissioner or the commissioner's agent that the person is enrolled as a full-time 11 student in an institution of higher education and that the person has been enrolled as a 12 full-time student in an institution of higher education for at least one semester prior to 13 applying for a resident license or permit.

For purposes of this subsection, "institution of higher education" means an institution of
higher education located in this State that meets the requirements of and conforms to the
definitions contained in the federal Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20 United
States Code, Section 1001(a) and the regulations, guidelines and procedures promulgated
by the Secretary of Education pursuant to that Act.

- SUMMARY
- This bill provides that a nonresident enrolled as a full-time student in an institution of higher education in this State is eligible for any trapping, fishing, hunting or combination fishing and hunting license or permit at the resident fee and has the same privileges as a resident of this State in regard to trapping, hunting and fishing.