

132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION-2025

Legislative Document

No. 1403

H.P. 925

House of Representatives, April 1, 2025

An Act to Expand the Hunter Safety Course Exemption for Certain Individuals with Firearm Training

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

ROBERT B. HUNT

R(+ B. Hunt

Clerk

Presented by Representative CRAY of Palmyra. (BY REQUEST)

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

- **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11105, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2013, c. 139, §1, is amended to read:
- 2. Hunter safety course exemption for certain members of armed forces domiciled in State individuals with required firearm training. A member of the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty who is permanently stationed outside of the United States and home on leave, a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, a law enforcement officer and any individual who has completed a firearm training course as a requirement of the individual's employment is exempt from hunter safety course requirements under subsection 1 if that member individual shows proof at the time of application for the license that that member's home state of record, as recorded in that person's military service records, is Maine individual has completed a firearm training course as a requirement of the individual's employment. A person who no longer meets the conditions for an exemption under this subsection must satisfy the requirements of subsection 1.

15 SUMMARY

 This bill expands the exemption for certain members of the Armed Forces of the United States from completing a hunter safety course in order to acquire a hunting license to include all individuals, including veterans and law enforcement officers, who have completed a firearm training course as a requirement of their employment.