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House of Representatives, March 21, 2017

An Act To Increase the Penalties for Hunting Deer over Bait

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

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative TUELL of East Machias.
Cosponsored by Senator MAKER of Washington and
Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, JOHANSEN of Monticello, McCREA of Fort
Fairfield, NADEAU of Winslow, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10902, sub-§7-B** is enacted to read:

3 **7-B. Hunting deer over bait.** A hunting license of a person convicted of placing or
4 hunting over bait in violation of section 11452, subsection 1 must be revoked, and that
5 person is ineligible to obtain a hunting license for a period of one year from the date of
6 conviction.

7 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11452, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §171
8 and affected by §422, is amended to read:

9 **2. Penalty.** A person who violates subsection 1 commits a Class E crime for which a
10 fine of \$500 must be imposed. Pursuant to section 10902, subsection 7-B, the hunting
11 license of a person convicted of violating subsection 1 must be revoked and that person is
12 ineligible to obtain a hunting license for a period of one year from the date of conviction.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill makes the penalty for hunting over bait during an open season on deer a
15 mandatory fine of \$500. It also provides for the one-year suspension of a hunting license
16 of a person convicted of doing so.