

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

H.P. 618 - L.D. 869

**An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Tagging of Harvested Animals**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12303-A, sub-§1-A, ¶¶B and C**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 and affected by §422, are amended to read:

B. A person may leave an unregistered animal harvested by that person in the woods if that person notifies a game warden within 18 hours as to the location of that animal and the circumstances necessitating leaving that animal in the woods; ~~and~~

C. A person on a hunting trip in an unorganized township and staying at a temporary place of lodging may keep an unregistered harvested animal at the temporary place of lodging for no more than 7 days or until that person leaves the woods, whichever comes first; and

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §12303-A, sub-§1-A, ¶D** is enacted to read:

D. A person may keep an unregistered animal harvested by that person if that person notifies a game warden within 18 hours as to the location of that animal and the circumstances preventing the person from registering the animal in accordance with subsection 1.