Hunters Need Not Be Lost

"We spend thousands of manhours and dollars every year on seeking lost hunters during the hunting season. Much of the time and energy spent on such searches could be avoided in if hunters would take the time to let their neighbors, our State Troopers, or the Coast Guard know where they plan to hunt and when they expect to be back." Commissioner of Public Safety Emery Chapple said today in looking toward Thanksgiving holidays.

The Commissioner pointed out that in one period during last year's hunting season, 85 hunters were reported overdue or lost in Southeast alone without counting statistics from other parts of the State.

Additional information which can be filed are radio call letters, number in the hunting party, type of boat used, area of cruising, and time of departure.

"It only takes a minute to advise us by phone where you intend to go," concluded Commissioner Chapple. "Do that and much anxiety can be avoided by both our department and relatives of the hunters."