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H.P. 394 House of Representatives, February 26, 2015

An Act To Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Postpone or Cancel an Open Hunting Season

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

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative WOOD of Sabattus.
Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and
Representatives: CRAFTS of Lisbon, DUNPHY of Old Town, HOBART of Bowdoinham, SHORT of Pittsfield, Senator: DUTREMBLE of York.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10105, sub-§17 is enacted to read:

17. Postpone or cancel the start of an open hunting season. Notwithstanding any provision of subpart 4, the commissioner, based on sound scientific wildlife management principles, may postpone or cancel an open hunting season on any game species if it is necessary for wildlife conservation purposes.

SUMMARY

This bill authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to postpone or cancel an open hunting season if, based on principles of sound scientific wildlife management, it is necessary for wildlife conservation purposes.