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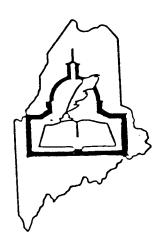


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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JULY 1985

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

Under the provisions of this bill, the commissioner has authority to restrict the harvest of does and fawns beyond 1985. Adoption of a doe permit system requires prior approval by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. If a doe permit system were to be implemented in the future, the application fee for a permit to take an antlerless deer could not exceed \$1.

Committee Amendment A eliminates the necessity that rules necessary for an antlerless deer permit system be approved by the Fisheries and Wildlife Committee. This amendment requires that the department submit rules necessary for an antlerless deer permit system to the committee by March 1st of the year of implementation of such a system for review and comment. It repeals the permit system provisions of the Act 30 days after receipt of these rules.

| LD: | 367 | AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MAINE WILD TURKEY HUNTING SEASON | | | | | DIAMOND G BROWN A PEARSON | | |
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SUMMARY:

The purpose of this bill is to establish a limited wild turkey hunting season. The commissioner shall set the hunting zones and the hunting season, which shall be between May 1 and June 15. The commissioner may establish a permit system for hunting wild turkeys. The bag limit is 1 turkey. Hunting may be between 1/2 hour before sunrise and 11 a.m.

Committee Amendment A adds an appropriation section and a fiscal note for \$10,000 per year to the bill to indicate the effect of the application fees associated with the program.

House Amendment A is to clarify that the funds used to establish the wild turkey season are allocated from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

LD: 446 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COYOTE SNARING SEASON MCGOWAN
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SUMMARY:

This bill establishes a coyote snaring season during the winter months. Snares are currently illegal for any purpose.