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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Concerning Chemical Control of Vertebrate Animals.

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

12 MRSA § 1471-N is enacted to read:

§ 1471-N. Chemical control of vertebrate animals

It shall be unlawful to use poisons to kill vertebrate land animals except as hereinafter provided.

1. Chemical control of vertebrate animals. The board may grant permits to use poisons for chemical control of vertebrate animals to members of its staff and to agents of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

2. Chemical control of rodents. The board may grant permits to use poisons for chemical control of rodents to persons engaged in the production of agricultural commodities and the maintenance of ornamental plantings.

3. Use poisons to control wild dogs. The board, its staff or agents may in emergencies, use poisons to control wild dogs or other wild animals.

4. Control of rats and mice. The control of rats and mice on public and private property, including buildings and municipal dumps, is exempt from this section, provided that the control is performed in accordance with this chapter, the regulations of the board and the directions on the label of the registered rodenticide employed.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This new draft makes the language and provisions consistent with the intent to control the use of poisons to kill vertebrate animals.