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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 749, L.D. 1016, Bill, "An Act Authorizing the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Establish Open and Closed Seasons on the Hunting of Bear"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act Concerning the Hunting of Bear'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7451, sub-§1, ¶A, as amended by PL 1987, c. 171, is further amended to read:

A. There shall-be is an open season on hunting bear from the first Monday preceding September 1st to November 30th annually. The commissioner may, pursuant to section 7035, subsection 1, adopt rules prohibiting the use of bait to hunt black bear during any portion of the open bear hunting season.

FISCAL NOTE

The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will incur some minor additional costs to adopt rules pertaining to the use of bear bait during bear hunting season. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment strikes and replaces the bill. Under this amendment, the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is authorized to prohibit the use of bear bait during portions of the bear hunting season.

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This amendment also adds a fiscal note.

Reported by the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife
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