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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 940, L.D. 1269, Bill, "An Act Authorizing the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Establish Open and Closed Seasons on the Hunting of Deer"

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

'An Act to Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Alter the Deer Seasons'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1.

Further amend the bill in section 2 in paragraph I in the first paragraph in the first line (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "may lengthen the open season on" and inserting in its place the following: ', by rule, may create special hunting seasons for the taking of'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in paragraph I in subparagraph (3) in the 2nd line (page 1, line 35 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the lengthened open" and inserting in its place the following: 'a special'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in paragraph I in subparagraph (5) in the first and 2nd lines (page 1, lines 41 and 42 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "deer harvested during the lengthened open season" and inserting in its place the following: 'the number of deer taken or possessed by persons during any special season. Limits established by the commissioner under this subparagraph are exceptions to the limits imposed under section 7458, subsections 1 and 2'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in paragraph I in subparagraph (6) in the 2nd line (page 1, line 45 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the lengthened open" and inserting in its place the following: 'a special'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in paragraph I by striking out all of subparagraph (7).

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Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will incur some minor additional costs to adopt rules pertaining to the establishment of special seasons for deer hunting in certain areas of the State. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment strikes section 1 of the bill, leaving in place the current framework for setting deer seasons.

This amendment amends section 2 of the bill to clarify the intent of the section to allow the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish deer seasons in problem areas.

Reported by the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife
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