

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 16, 2007

### An Act To Prevent the Domestication of Wild Turkey and Deer

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

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative LANSLEY of Sabattus.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, NASS of Acton, ROBINSON of Raymond, SAVIELLO of Wilton, VAUGHAN of Durham.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10657** is enacted to read:

3 **§10657. Feeding wild turkey or deer**

4 **1. Feeding wild turkey.** A person may not intentionally feed a wild turkey.

5 A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine  
6 of not less than \$100 or more than \$500 may be adjudged.

7 B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated of a prior  
8 violation of this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than  
9 \$500 or more than \$1,000 may be adjudged.

10 C. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated of 2 or more  
11 prior violations of this subsection commits a Class E crime.

12 D. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having  
13 committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period  
14 commits a Class E crime.

15 **2. Feeding deer.** A person may not intentionally feed or provide salt to a deer.

16 A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine  
17 of not less than \$100 or more than \$500 may be adjudged.

18 B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated of a prior  
19 violation of this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than  
20 \$500 or more than \$1,000 may be adjudged.

21 C. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated of 2 or more  
22 prior violations of this subsection commits a Class E crime.

23 D. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having  
24 committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period  
25 commits a Class E crime.

26 **4. Exceptions.** This section does not apply to the feeding of wild turkey or deer  
27 pursuant to section 10105, subsection 10 and chapter 915, subchapter 15 and Title 7  
28 sections 1809 and 3933 and Title 7, chapters 202 and 202-A. This section does not apply  
29 to activities of the department conducted pursuant to section 10051.

30 **SUMMARY**

31 This bill prohibits a person from feeding a wild turkey or deer.