

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 438

House of Representatives, February 5, 2007

### An Act To Protect Beef Producers

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Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BROWNE of Vassalboro, CARTER of Bethel, JACKSON of Allagash, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, PATRICK of Rumford, PIOTTI of Unity, THOMAS of Ripley.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12404, sub-§9** is enacted to read:

3 9. Moose. This subsection applies to the taking or killing of moose on property  
4 where cattle are kept, whether the property is owned or leased.

5 A. Notwithstanding section 12401, an owner of cattle under this subsection is not  
6 required to catch moose in the act of damaging property or worrying cattle. The  
7 owner of cattle shall document, by reporting to a warden, 3 or more incidents of  
8 damage, after which the owner may kill moose found anywhere and at any time on  
9 property occupied by cattle.

10 B. An owner of cattle may employ an agent to kill moose pursuant to paragraph A  
11 after receiving written permission from a warden. The warden may either issue a  
12 certificate or, at the request of the person who killed the moose, remove the moose  
13 from the property.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill allows a person to take or kill moose that are damaging property where  
16 cattle are kept or worrying the cattle on that property.