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#### **CHAPTER 57**

#### H.P. 394 - L.D. 570

### An Act To Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Postpone or Cancel an Open Hunting Season

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10105, sub-§17 is enacted to read:

**17.** Postpone or cancel the start of an open hunting season. Notwithstanding any provision of subpart 4, the commissioner, based on sound scientific wildlife management principles, may postpone or cancel an open hunting season on any game species if the commissioner has concerns regarding disease, weather conditions, reduction in population or other unforeseen factors that may prevent publicly derived management goals from being met.

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#### CHAPTER 58

#### S.P. 291 - L.D. 817

### An Act Regarding Aerial Pesticide Spray Projects

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1444, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 215, §1, is amended to read:

**2.** Aerial spraying. When the infestation causing a public health nuisance may be controlled by the aerial spraying of pesticides, the municipal officers in the affected municipality may conduct aerial spraying subject to rules adopted by the Board of Pesticides Control, pursuant to <u>Title 7, section 610 and</u> Title 22, section <u>1471 R, subsection 3, paragraph C</u> <u>1471-M</u>, except that:

A. The municipality rather than the applicator is responsible for compliance with the notification and consent regulations;

B. Landowners who are sent written notification by mail, sent to the landowner's last known address as contained in the municipal assessing records and who fail to respond to the notice within 30 days are deemed to have consented to aerial spraying;

C. A landowner's written consent to spray remains valid unless the municipal officers are notified in writing at least 90 days before spraying is to occur that:

(1) The landowner withdraws consent; or

(2) Ownership of the property has been transferred and the notice contains the name and mailing address of the new owner;

D. Any such notice sent or consent received in calendar year 1997 prior to the effective date of this chapter constitutes adequate notice or consent under the law;

E. Written notice to the landowners must identify the chemicals to be used in the aerial spraying; and

F. Public notice of the date of the aerial spraying, subject to change because of weather conditions, must be given 24 hours prior to the spraying.

**Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1471-C, sub-§5,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 245, §1, is further amended to read:

**5.** Commercial applicator. "Commercial applicator" means any person, except a government pesticide supervisor, whether or not the person is a private applicator with respect to some uses, who uses or supervises the use of any limited or restricted-use pesti-