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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 547, L.D. 767, Bill, “An Act To Prohibit the Feeding of Deer from August 15th to December 15th”

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

'An Act To Prohibit Feeding or Baiting Deer During Certain Parts of the Year'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10659 is enacted to read:

§10659. Feeding or baiting of deer

1. Prohibition. A person may not place salt or any other bait or food in a place to entice deer to that place from June 1st to the start of an open hunting season on deer and, if all open hunting seasons on deer are closed before December 15th for that year, from the close of the last open hunting season on deer to December 15th.

2. Penalty. A person who violates subsection 1 commits a Class E crime.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. The amendment expands the prohibition on baiting deer during an open hunting season on deer to also prohibit feeding deer by placing salt or any other bait or food in a place to entice deer to that place from June 1st to the start of an open hunting season on deer and from the close of all open hunting seasons on deer to December 15th if all open hunting seasons on deer are closed before December 15th.

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