## LaCroix, Linda

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To:	LaCroix, Linda
Subject:	Fw: Oppose LD 337 = spring bear hunt, from Carole, Portland Maine

Hi,

I am not able to attend the meeting in Augusta next week.

Please submit my comments:

It is **downright cruel, un-imaginable that this is even being proposed!!!!** And unethical to kill bears after making it over the winter, fasting

Bear moms leave their cubs to find food and a no kill mother program does not work! A greedy hunter will take a mother bear, weather or not she has cubs, and there is no way to tell from a distance if she has cubs or if it a male bear.

There is no evidence that a spring hunt will slow the population growth because it is feeding bears in the fall, that causes the cubs populations to explode. Healthy well fed mothers produce more cubs, especially when feeding on high fat diets like donuts. This only makes sense.

Maine's bear season is already 3 months long and no need - except the thrill of a kill - to add another season.

Thank you,

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