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An Act To Improve Turkey Tagging by Allowing Electronic Tagging

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MASON of Lisbon.
Cosponsored by Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, ORDWAY of Standish, ROCHE of Wells, STEARNS of Guilford, STETKIS of Canaan, TUELL of East Machias, WHITE of Mars Hill, Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11752, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §181 and
3 affected by §422, is amended to read:

4 **1. Tags; system.** The commissioner shall prescribe the form and content of and
5 produce wild turkey tags. The commissioner shall establish a system for electronically
6 tagging wild turkey.

7 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11752, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §181 and
8 affected by §422, is amended to read:

9 **2. Tagging.** Prior to presenting a wild turkey for registration, a person may not possess
10 or leave in the field or forest a wild turkey killed by that person unless the wild turkey has
11 securely attached to it a plainly visible tag that conforms to the requirements established
12 under this section or that person has electronically tagged the wild turkey pursuant to
13 subsection 1.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a
16 system for electronically tagging wild turkeys and allows a person to electronically tag a
17 wild turkey pursuant to that system.