**An Act Regarding Nuisance Beavers**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “      ” to H.P. 392, L.D. 547, “An Act Regarding Nuisance Beavers”

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12404, sub-§2,** as affected by PL 2003, c. 614, §9 and amended by c. 655, Pt. B, §242 and affected by §422, is further amended to read:

**2. Beaver.**  ~~A~~ Except as provided in paragraph A, a person may not take or kill beaver under sections 12401 and 12402. ~~The commissioner may cause agents of the department to take nuisance beaver at any time.~~

A. In accordance with section 10105, subsection 1, the commissioner may at any time authorize a landowner, a person on behalf of the landowner or an agent of the department to take or kill nuisance beaver.

A person who violates this subsection commits a Class E crime.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment changes the bill to provide that the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife may at any time authorize a landowner, a person on behalf of the landowner or an agent of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to take or kill nuisance beaver.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**