

## **127th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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H.P. 394

House of Representatives, February 26, 2015

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

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

R(+ B. Hunt

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative WOOD of Sabattus. Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: CRAFTS of Lisbon, DUNPHY of Old Town, HOBART of Bowdoinham, SHORT of Pittsfield, Senator: DUTREMBLE of York.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows	1	Be it enacted	by the Peo	ple of the State	e of Maine as follows
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2 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 it is
necessary for wildlife conservation purposes.

7 SUMMARY
8 This bill authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to postpone or
9 cancel an open hunting season if, based on principles of sound scientific wildlife

management, it is necessary for wildlife conservation purposes.

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