



General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 54

LCO No. 396



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
SEN. BERTHEL, 32nd Dist.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING BLACK BEAR HUNTING IN LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to provide for the hunting of
- 2 black bear in Litchfield County and to further provide the following: (1)
- 3 Permit the taking of black bear during the first year of such hunting at a
- 4 rate that does not exceed five per cent of the total black bear population
- 5 in the state as of the effective date of this section, and (2) require the
- 6 submission of a report to the joint standing committee of the General
- 7 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment one
- 8 year after the beginning of such black bear hunting that includes
- 9 information on the number of black bear taken pursuant to such
- 10 hunting, the number of licenses issued by the Department of Energy and
- 11 Environmental Protection to hunt such black bear and any
- 12 recommendations of the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental
- 13 Protection for any modifications to such black bear hunting in the state.

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize black bear hunting in Litchfield County.