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sSB-1523 AN ACT CONCERNING THE TAKING OF WILDLIFE THAT DAMAGE CROPS OR BLACK BEAR THAT INJURE OR KILL LIVESTOCK.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

Potential Cost

The amendment requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to submit a report to the Governor on the state's black bear population. Given the results of the report the Governor may direct DEEP to implement a temporary bear hunting season. This could result in a potential cost to DEEP associated with additional staff to implement and enforce the temporary hunting season.

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