



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
SEN. HARDING, 30<sup>th</sup> Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1523

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TAKING OF WILDLIFE THAT  
DAMAGE CROPS OR BLACK BEAR THAT INJURE OR KILL  
LIVESTOCK."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not less than once every  
4 two years, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection  
5 shall submit a report to the Governor on the status of the black bear  
6 population in the state.

7 (b) In the event that a report issued pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
8 section reflects a population of such bears that merits the  
9 implementation of a bear hunt, in the opinion of said department and  
10 the Governor, the Governor may direct said department to institute a  
11 temporary bear hunting season and to prescribe the parameters of such  
12 bear hunting season."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section