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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2143

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2143 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 2.30, 2.30b, and 2.30c as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/2.30) (from Ch. 61, par. 2.30)

7 Sec. 2.30. It shall be unlawful for any person to trap or  
8 to hunt with gun, dog, dog and gun, or bow and arrow, gray fox,  
9 red fox, raccoon, weasel, mink, muskrat, badger, bobcat, and  
10 opossum except during the open season which will be set  
11 annually by the Director between 12:01 a.m., November 1 to  
12 12:00 midnight, February 15, both inclusive.

13 It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt bobcat with gun  
14 or bow and arrow except during the open season, which will be  
15 set annually by the Director between 12:01 a.m., November 1 to  
16 12:00 midnight, February 15, both inclusive.

1       It shall be unlawful for any person to trap bobcat in this  
2       State at any time.

3       It is unlawful to pursue any fur-bearing mammal with a dog  
4       or dogs between the hours of sunset and sunrise during the 10  
5       day period preceding the opening date of the raccoon hunting  
6       season and the 10 day period following the closing date of the  
7       raccoon hunting season except that the Department may issue  
8       field trial permits in accordance with Section 2.34 of this  
9       Act. A non-resident from a state with more restrictive  
10      fur-bearer pursuit regulations for any particular species than  
11      provided for that species in this Act may not pursue that  
12      species in Illinois except during the period of time that  
13      Illinois residents are allowed to pursue that species in the  
14      non-resident's state of residence. Hound running areas  
15      approved by the Department shall be exempt from the provisions  
16      of this Section.

17      It shall be unlawful to take beaver, river otter, weasel,  
18      mink, or muskrat except during the open season set annually by  
19      the Director, and then, only with traps, except that a firearm,  
20      pistol, or airgun of a caliber not larger than a .22 long rifle  
21      may be used to remove the animal from the trap.

22      It shall be unlawful for any person to trap beaver or river  
23      otter with traps except during the open season which will be  
24      set annually by the Director between 12:01 a.m., November 1st  
25      and 12:00 midnight, March 31, both inclusive.

26      Coyote may be taken by trapping methods only during the

1 period from September 1 to March 1, both inclusive, and by  
2 hunting methods at any time.

3 Striped skunk may be taken by trapping methods only during  
4 the period from September 1 to March 1, both inclusive, and by  
5 hunting methods at any time.

6 Muskrat may be taken by trapping methods during an open  
7 season set annually by the Director.

8 For the purpose of taking fur-bearing mammals, the State  
9 may be divided into management zones by administrative rule.

10 It shall be unlawful to take or possess more than the  
11 season limit or possession limit of fur-bearing mammals that  
12 shall be set annually by the Director. The season limit for  
13 river otter shall not exceed 5 river otters per person per  
14 season. The season limit for bobcat shall not exceed one bobcat  
15 per permit. Possession limits shall not apply to fur buyers,  
16 tanners, manufacturers, and taxidermists, as defined by this  
17 Act, who possess fur-bearing mammals in accordance with laws  
18 governing such activities.

19 Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the taking or  
20 possessing of fur-bearing mammals found dead or  
21 unintentionally killed by a vehicle along a roadway during the  
22 open season provided the person who possesses such fur-bearing  
23 mammals has all appropriate licenses, stamps, or permits; the  
24 season for which the species possessed is open; and that such  
25 possession and disposal of such fur-bearing mammals is  
26 otherwise subject to the provisions of this Section.

1           The provisions of this Section are subject to modification  
2 by administrative rule.

3           (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 98-924, eff. 8-15-14;  
4 99-33, eff. 1-1-16.)

5           (520 ILCS 5/2.30b)

6           Sec. 2.30b. River otter and bobcat pelts.

7           (a) The pelts of river otters and bobcats shall be tagged  
8 in accordance with federal regulation 50 CFR 23.69(e). The  
9 Department may require harvest registration and set forth  
10 procedures, fees for registration, and the process of tagging  
11 pelts in administrative rules. Fees for registration and  
12 tagging shall not exceed \$5 per pelt.

13           (b) No person shall knowingly sell, offer for sale, or  
14 purchase a bobcat pelt of a bobcat taken in this State.

15           (Source: P.A. 99-33, eff. 1-1-16.)

16           (520 ILCS 5/2.30c)

17           Sec. 2.30c. Bobcat hunting ~~and trapping~~ permit; fee. Before  
18 any person may lawfully hunt ~~or trap~~ a bobcat, he or she shall  
19 first obtain a "Bobcat Hunting ~~and Trapping~~ Permit" in  
20 accordance with regulations set forth in an administrative rule  
21 of the Department. The fee for a Bobcat Hunting ~~and Trapping~~  
22 Permit, if any, shall not exceed \$5. The Department may limit  
23 the number of Bobcat Hunting ~~and Trapping~~ Permits that are made  
24 available each season and take other actions to regulate

1 harvest in accordance with Sections 1.3 and 2.30 of this Act.  
2 The harvest of bobcats in this State shall be non-detrimental,  
3 as defined by federal regulations (50 CFR 23.61), and as  
4 determined by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in  
5 accordance with 50 CFR 23.69.

6 (Source: P.A. 99-33, eff. 1-1-16.)

7 Section 97. Severability. The provisions of this Act are  
8 severable under Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
10 becoming law.".