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

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

16 It is unlawful to pursue any fur-bearing mammal with a dog

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

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

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

23 Coyote may be taken by trapping methods only during the  
24 period from September 1 to March 1, both inclusive, and by  
25 hunting methods at any time.

26 Striped skunk may be taken by trapping methods only during

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

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

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

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

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

24 The provisions of this Section are subject to modification  
25 by administrative rule.

26 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 98-924, eff. 8-15-14;

1 99-33, eff. 1-1-16.)

2 (520 ILCS 5/2.30b)

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

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

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

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

13 (520 ILCS 5/2.30c)

14 Sec. 2.30c. Bobcat hunting ~~and trapping~~ permit; fee. Before  
15 any person may lawfully hunt ~~or trap~~ a bobcat, he or she shall  
16 first obtain a "Bobcat Hunting ~~and Trapping~~ Permit" in  
17 accordance with regulations set forth in an administrative rule  
18 of the Department. The fee for a Bobcat Hunting ~~and Trapping~~  
19 Permit, if any, shall not exceed \$5. The Department may limit  
20 the number of Bobcat Hunting ~~and Trapping~~ Permits that are made  
21 available each season and take other actions to regulate  
22 harvest in accordance with Sections 1.3 and 2.30 of this Act.  
23 The harvest of bobcats in this State shall be non-detrimental,  
24 as defined by federal regulations (50 CFR 23.61), and as

1 determined by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in  
2 accordance with 50 CFR 23.69.

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

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

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7 becoming law.".