



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6407

LCO No. 2237



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:

REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th Dist.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING SELF-DEFENSE AS AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE TO THE OFFENSE OF ILLEGALLY TAKING A MOOSE OR BEAR.

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to allow the use of deadly
- 2 physical force against an animal, which would otherwise constitute an
- 3 offense under section 26-80a of the general statutes, as justifiable and
- 4 not criminal when he or she reasonably believes such use of force is
- 5 necessary to protect himself or herself, another person or a domestic pet
- 6 from harm.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish self-defense as an affirmative defense to the offense of illegally taking a moose or bear.