
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to the disposition of animals seized by the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Present law specifies the extent of penalties applicable to violators of present law regulating wildlife and fisheries and specifies that upon conviction a violator must forfeit any quadrupeds, birds, fish, or other animals seized.

Proposed law clarifies language in present law related to forfeiture of quadrupeds, birds, fish, or other animals and adds "parts thereof" to the list of types of game subject to forfeiture.

Proposed law provides that any live animal seized under the provisions of present law that is illegal to possess must be forfeited as contraband and that the department may dispose of the animal in any manner they deem appropriate. Further specifies that if the animal is euthanized it must be done humanely.

(Amends R.S. 56:39(A); Adds R.S. 56:58(E))