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DIGEST

Ward (SB 251)

<u>Present law</u> prohibits any person from selling or offering to sell or purchase any game quadruped, any and part of any wild bird, or the plumage, aigrettes, skin, or body, but makes an exception for persons holding a breeder's license.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds the "trade, barter, exchange or attempt to sell, purchase, trade, barter, or exchange" to the sell prohibition.

Present law provides for violations of present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds the "trade, barter, or exchange or attempt to sell, purchase, trade, barter, or exchange" to the violation language.

<u>Present law</u> allows for the sale of tails and hides of legally taken squirrels, legally taken deer licensed for buyers and licensed fur dealers, provided that the sale of any such tails or hides is made within 10 days of the close of the squirrel or deer hunting season.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds the "purchase, trade, barter, or exchange or attempt to sell, purchase, trade, barter, or exchange" language to <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> requires that any fur dealer having squirrel or deer tails or hides in his possession after the close of squirrel or deer hunting season must file a report with DWF.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that the report be filed not only for tails or hides purchased but also for the tails or hides traded, bartered, or exchanged.

<u>Proposed law</u> exempts deer antlers or any unclaimed specimen left in the possession of a taxidermist.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 56:116.2)