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TECHNICAL CHANGES TO

TITLE 58 CSR 11F

Wild Turkey Regulations - 58 CSR 11F

- 1. On page 1, in the title of the rule the agency name Bureau of Commerce has been added.
- 2. 58 CSR 11F is changed to 58 CSR 51 and renumbered accordingly throughout the rule.
- 3. On page 1, subsection 2.1, by striking 47 and inserting in lieu thereof 58, and by striking 11A and inserting in lieu thereof 46.

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SERIES <u>11F51</u> WILD TURKEY REGULATIONS

§58-11F51-1. General.

- 1.1. Scope. -- The purpose of these regulations is to establish rules to manage the wild turkey within the boundaries of this State.
 - 1.2. Authority. -- W. Va. Code \$20-1-7(30).
 - 1.3. Filing Date. -- June 24, 1993
 - 1.4. Effective Date. -- July 1, 1993

§58-11F51-2. Definitions.

- 2.1. All terms have the meaning prescribed to them in The Regulations Defining The Terms To Be Used Concerning All Hunting and Trapping Regulations (4758 C.S.R. 11A46). In addition, for the purposes of this regulation, the following terms have the meaning set forth in this section.
- 2.2. Game farm or pen-raised turkeys -- Game farm or pen raised turkeys are those birds or their offspring hatched from eggs taken by humans from a wild turkey nest or wild hen turkey raised under human control, and therefore imprinted to humans or other poultry under human control instead of a wild hen.
- 2.3. Domestic turkey -- A domestic turkey is a turkey that normally lives in and about the residences of West Virginians and depends upon humans for habitation, husbandry and/or as their sole source of year round sustenance.
- 2.4. Wild turkey -- A wild turkey is a turkey from wild native genetic stock living under the control of the laws of nature.
- 2.5. Release into the wild -- Release into the wild means a release into any area not enclosed by a fence or bounded by other like structure from which under normal circumstances a bird does not escape.

§58-11F51-3. Wild Turkey Hunting Rules.

- 3.1. The use of electronic turkey calling devices is prohibited during the wild turkey seasons.
- 3.2. The use of dogs to hunt wild turkeys is prohibited during the spring wild turkey season.
- \$58-11F51-4. Possession, Propagation and Release of Pen-raised Turkeys.
- 4.1. It is unlawful to possess, propagate, or release into the wild, game farm or pen-raised turkeys: Provided, That existing stock may be possessed until December 31, 1993, but during this period the turkeys shall not be propagated or released into the wild,
 - 4.2. It is unlawful to release domestic turkeys into the wild.