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NOTICE OF A COMMENT PERIOD ON A PROPOSED RULE

AGENCY: DCL&ER, Division of Natural Resources

TITLE NUMBER: 47

RULE TYPE: Legislative

CITE AUTHORITY § 20-1-7(30)

AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES _____ NO X

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED: _____

TITLE OF RULE BEING AMENDED: _____

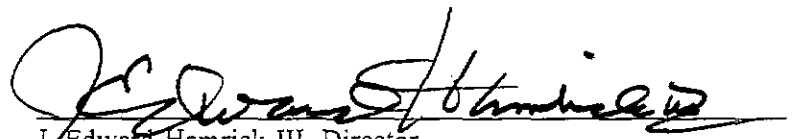
IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: 11C

TITLE OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: Special Bear Hunting Regulations

IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING, A COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING WHICH ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY SEND COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED RULES. THIS COMMENT PERIOD WILL END ON August 31, 1992 AT 4:00 pm

ONLY WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ARE TO BE MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS Bob Miles, Chief, Division of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Section, Capitol Complex, Building 3, Room 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25305

THE ISSUES TO BE HEARD SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE PROPOSED RULE.


J. Edward Hamrick III, Director
Division of Natural Resources

ATTACH A **BRIEF** SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, LABOR & ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
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Cabinet Secretary

July 22, 1992

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J. Edward Hamrick III, Director
Division of Natural Resources
Building 3, Room 669
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

WATER RESOURCE SECTION

RE: Proposed Rules - Title 47, Series 11A, 11B, 11C, 11D,
11E, 11F, 11G, 11H, 11I, 12A & 13A (Regulations relating
to Wildlife Resources)

Dear Ed:

Pursuant to West Virginia Code §5F-2-2(a)(12), I hereby
consent to the proposal of the rules specified above.

You may attach a copy of this letter to your filing with the
Secretary of State as evidence of my consent.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Ranson
John M. Ranson
Cabinet Secretary

JMR:cjb

B:RULDNR-W.RUL

FISCAL NOTE FOR PROPOSED RULE

Rule Title: Special Bear Hunting Regulations, 47 C.S.R. 11C

Type of Rule: Legislative Interpretive Procedural

Agency: Division of Natural Resources

Address: Building 3, State Capitol Complex, Charleston, West Virginia

1. Effect of Proposed Rule	ANNUAL		FISCAL YEAR		
	Increase	Decrease	Current	Next	Thereafter
Estimated Total Cost	\$				
Personal Services	\$				
Current Expenses	\$				
Repairs & Alterations	\$	No Change			
Equipment	\$				
Other	\$				

2. Explanation of above estimates: There is no change anticipated to administrative expenses as a result of this rule.

3. Objectives of this rule: The proposed rule establishes the provisions applicable to bear hunting.

4. Explanation of Overall Economic Impact of Proposed Rule.

A. Economic Impact on State Government. No impact.

B. Economic Impact on Political Subdivisions; Specific Industries; Specific groups of citizens. No impact

C. Economic Impact on Citizens/ Public at Large. No impact.

Date: July 27, 1992

Signature of Agency Head or Authorized Representative


Director, Division of Natural Resources

PREAMBLE TO A PROPOSED RULE
CONCERNING
SPECIAL BEAR HUNTING REGULATIONS

AGENCY: Department of Commerce, Labor, and Environmental Resources; Division of Natural Resources.

REGULATION: Title 47, Series 11C, "Special Bear Hunting Regulations."

ACTION: Filing of a thirty day Public Comment Period Notice for the proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule establishes the provisions applicable to bear hunting.

Written comments received prior to 4:00 pm August 31, 1992 will be accepted. Written comments should be sent to:

Bob Miles, Chief
Division of Natural Resources
Wildlife Resources Section
Capitol Complex
Building 3, Room 812
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

TITLE 47
LEGISLATIVE RULES
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, LABOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SERIES 11C
SPECIAL BEAR HUNTING REGULATIONS

§ 47-11C-1. General.

1.1. Scope and Purpose. -- The purpose of this regulation is to control the taking of bear within the boundaries of this State.

1.2. Authority. -- West Virginia Code § 20-1-7(30).

1.3. Filing Date. --

1.4. Effective Date. --

§ 47-11C-2. Definitions.

2.1. All terms shall have the meaning prescribed to them in the Code of State Regulations, Title 47, Series 11A (47 C.S.R. 11A).

§ 47-11C-3. The Use of Dogs.

3.1. The use of dogs while hunting for bear during the firearms bear season is illegal in the following counties: Boone, Fayette, Kanawha, Nicholas, and Raleigh.

3.2. Except as provided for in the Code of State Regulations, Title 47, Series 11 (47 C.S.R. 11), the use of dogs while bow hunting for bear is legal during any portion of the archery bear season which may coincide with an open firearms bear season.