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HB No. 64

Abstract: Authorizes the use of 12-gauge or smaller shotguns for taking nuisance animals destroying crawfish ponds.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes a crawfish farmer or landowner to take nuisance animals (opossums, raccoons, nutria, or beaver) that are destroying crawfish ponds with a .22 caliber rimfire rifle. <u>Proposed law</u> would add otter, muskrat, and mink to the list of nuisance animals covered by these provisions and also authorize the use of a .17 caliber rimfire rifle or a 12-gauge or smaller shotgun using nontoxic shot no larger than BB-sized.

(Amends R.S. 56:116.1(C)(2)(c))