The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by McHenry Lee.

DIGEST

Long (SB 170)

<u>Present law</u> prohibits the in state release of any pen-raised or wild animal, fowl, or fish from without the state except upon permission of the secretary of DWF.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits the in state release of any pen-raised or wild animal, fowl, or fish from within the state except upon permission of the secretary of DWF.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits the in state release of any pen-raised turkey or pheasant from within or without the state except upon permission of the secretary of DWF.

Proposed law removes present law.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits the transportation of any wild animal or fowl for restocking purposes except in accordance with the commission rules.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds fish to the list of animals prohibited from transporting for restocking purposes.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows certain individuals to take escaped or released pen-raised white-tailed deer during regular open deer season and to take escaped or released pen-raised or nonnative cervid deer species during daylight hours year-round. Further provides that the department must be notified immediately upon the taking of the animal and the carcass will be submitted for biological testing before being returned to the person.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 56:20)