STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this legislation is to classify raccoon as predatory wildlife. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game has had a year long season on this animal for several years with no limit on take.

Raccoon are common pests in both rural and urban areas. Classifying raccoon as predatory wildlife will allow both citizens and control agents to dispose of these animals without worrying about possession laws.

FISCAL NOTE

One possible positive impact might be that the Department of Fish and Game will have to devote less time to problem raccoon.

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