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Town of Franconia, New Hampshire Wild Animal Ordinance

This ordinance is adopted in an effort to assist our residents and guests in peacefully coexisting with the wild animals in our town. In recognition that these animals are wild and should be left alone for the welfare and safety of both the animals and our residents and guests, it is hereby enacted by the Board of Selectmen that:

1. No person shall engage in the practice of baiting wild animals.
 - For purposes of this ordinance, baiting shall mean the placing of any food or other substances so as to lure or attract wild animals.
 - For purposes of this ordinance, wild animals shall include furbearing and game animals as defined by NH RSA 207:1
2. No person shall use, place, provide, give, expose, deposit, scatter or distribute any material that results in attracting black bears because the activity might result in injury to a person, damage to property or create a public nuisance.
3. All domestic and commercial refuse must be placed in one of the following:
 - A building, house or garage that is inaccessible to wildlife.
 - A bear and other wildlife proof dumpster.
 - Deposited at an appropriate town disposal site.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all persons except those licensed by the State of New Hampshire, Department of Fish and Game.

Any person who knowingly violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a violation and subject to a fine of not more than \$500.

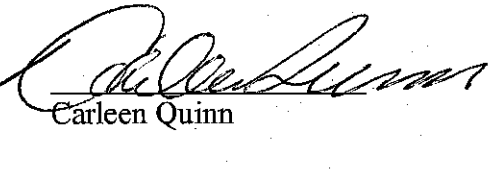
A person may choose to pay a civil forfeiture of \$25 to the Town Clerk within 48 hours of the time of notice of violation is provided and shall thereby waive the right to be heard in district court and shall not be prosecuted for that offense. For each subsequent offense by the same person, the amount of civil forfeiture shall be \$50. However, civil forfeiture may not be paid after three (3) offenses in one (1) year, but rather their case shall be disposed of by the district court proceedings and fines.

This ordinance shall be effective September 3, 2007

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PART Fis 310 CONTROL OF NUISANCE BLACK BEARS

Fis 310.01 Control of Nuisance Black Bears

(a) No person shall use, place, provide, give, expose, deposit, scatter or distribute any material that results in attracting black bears after being noticed by the executive director or his designee to cease the activity because the activity might result in injury to a person, damage to property or create a public nuisance.

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