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**Subject:** RE: Draft Letter re Wanton Waste and Retrieval of Wildlife

I agree with both of the Commissioner's suggestions. I think his summary of the key pending issues is accurate and would be fine with including that wherever it best fits. And I agree that inclusion of the exemption language would provide context and probably save us all time explaining this to other interested parties. Plus there may be feedback on the exemption language useful as we work towards a final product.

Yes, my organization should be The Humane Society of the United States. Thanks for catching that.

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All,

This is a fair and accurate summary of our discussions, and I appreciate the acknowledgement of the work and courtesy by all involved.

This is trivial, but I believe Barry's organization is the Humane Society of the United States, not Vermont Humane Society, which I just mention for accuracy's sake.

I have two substantive comments. The first is that I would like make it clear that there are a number of issues on which we did not reach a consensus (at least yet). I am fine with that being included in a paragraph in the letter if all are amenable, or in the instruction/discussion with the committee if others, particularly Attorney O'Grady, feel that it is already clear in the letter.

"Although substantial progress was made during the discussion on a variety of issues and concerns, there remained several matters on which the group was not able, at least yet, to reach a consensus. Among those issues were; how fish, including bait fish, would be dealt with under the bill; the wording of an exemption for law enforcement, state and municipal workers engaged in their duties; exactly how coyotes and crows would be handled in the disposal/retrieval sections; the definitions of "edible" and "usable"; and others."

Second, I would recommend that we include in the language in the letter the updated list of exemptions. That list provides important context, and answers many questions about what is and what is not covered, that I think is missing without it.

Thanks, and happy to answer any questions or discuss.

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H.357 Working Group

Please see Barry Londeree's proposed revisions to the working group letter.

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Hi Michael,

I'm not sure if you wanted me to share edits with the group or just you, but please share if helpful. You will find attached my edits and an explanations of each below. Happy to answer any questions you might have, I'll be around the statehouse today.

1. I added an explanation for my proposed language on page 2. I think it would be helpful for those reading the letter to describe why I put forward this language and the problem I was trying to solve. I tried to provide a succinct summary of what I said in the meeting.
2. I took out the "alternative" language for sections (a)(1) and (2). My proposal and our discussions focused on how to create a distinction between the species covered by sections (a) and (b), so that coyotes would be covered under the "retrieve and dispose" standard of section (a) but not included in the "use of meat and fur" standard of section (b). This was done to avoid the "de facto season" concern raised by Porter and Covey. Using the "bag limits" language in section (a) would conflict with the intent of creating a distinction between the species covered by sections (a) and (b). Currently, the letter implies that the same description of the species covered will be used throughout the bill and that is not accurate.
3. I added the word "public" to section (a)(2) language on dumping a carcass. To me this is needed in order to prohibit dumping on public land (such as parks and other restricted public areas)

where hunting is prohibited. There would be no need to allow, as the draft does, disposal “according to generally accepted hunting principles on public land where hunting is allowed” unless disposal on public lands was otherwise prohibited.

Thanks,

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To the Working Group on H.357

As we discussed, I have drafted a letter that would be sent from the House Committee on Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife to you and your organizations to solicit comment on proposed language addressing wanton waste or the retrieval of wildlife.

The House Natural Resources Committee plans to review a draft of the letter on Wednesday. Prior to Wednesday, please review the letter and let me know if you want changes.

I will try and make all requested changes, but it may be impossible to reconcile all of the changes. If this should arrive, I will seek the input of Rep. Ode on what should be included in the letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions. And thank you for your assistance on this issue.

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