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Public Hearing to Hear From Vermonters on Various Hunting and Fishing Bills Currently in the Vermont Senate

The Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy is currently reviewing a number of bills relating to hunting and fishing in the State. We would like to hear from the Vermont public on these proposed bills. We will hold a remote (virtual) public hearing regarding three proposed new laws on **Thursday**, **February 10**, **2022**, **from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

All the bills can be found on the Committee's <u>webpage</u> or accessed here via the following links:

- S.129, An act relating to the management of fish and wildlife;
- S.201, An act relating to the use of leghold traps; and
- S.281, An act relating to hunting coyotes with dogs.

The Committee suggests that members of the public read the bills prior to this hearing. Persons wanting to read the broader law in this area can consult <u>Vermont Statutes</u> <u>Annotated (V.S.A.), Title 10</u>, chapters 101–124 and <u>10 V.S.A. Appendix, Vermont Fish</u> and Wildlife Regulations.

Anyone interested in testifying **must sign up in advance of the hearing** through the following online form: https://legislature.vermont.gov/links/wildlife-bills-feb-10-public-hearing

Instructions on how to access and participate in the hearing will be sent once you have signed up for the hearing.

Testimony time will be limited to two minutes per person.

To submit written testimony, please e-mail an MS Word file or PDF file to testimony@leg.state.vt.us and include the Bill number you're referring to the subject line.

The public hearing will be available to watch live on YouTube at the following link: https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/senate-natural-resources-and-energy

For more information about the format of these events, contact Mike Ferrant at mferrant@leg.state.vt.us.