
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend the Kosrae State Code by by amending Section 13.534 of Title 13, Sections 19.357, 19.407 and 19.409 of Title 19 of the Kosrae State Code to include an exception for hunting seasons of Turtle, Pigeon and Fruit bats;and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

1 Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to amend the Kosrae State Code by
2 amending Sections 13.534, 19.357, 19.407 and of Title 13, and 19 of the Kosrae State
3 Code to include an exception period of one week for hunting season of Turtle, Pigeon and
4 Fruit bats; and other purposes.

5 Section 2. Amendment. Title 13, Section 13.534 is amended to read as follows:

6 Section 13.534. Unlawful Pigeon Hunting. Unlawful pigeon hunting is the taking,
7 wounding, or killing of any pigeon from the first day of February to the thirty-first day of
8 December inclusive, or during January from midnight Saturday to midnight Sunday,
9 except resource exhibition events sponsored on the island of Kosrae thru the Governor or
10 his designee's written authorization.

11 Unlawful pigeon hunting is a category one misdemeanor.

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13 Section 3. Amendment. Title 19, Sections 19.407 of the Kosrae State Code is
14 hereby amended to read as follows:

15 Section 19.407. Unlawful Pigeon Hunting. Unlawful pigeon hunting is the taking,
16 wounding, or killing of any pigeon from the first (1st) day of February to the thirty-first
17 (31st) day of December inclusive, or during January from midnight Saturday to midnight

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1 Sunday, except resource exhibition events sponsored on the island of Kosrae thru the
2 Governor or his designee's written authorization.

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4 Section 4. Amendment. Title 19, Sections 19.257 of the Kosrae State Code is
5 hereby amended to read as follows:

6 19.357. Protection of species. The Administrator may preserve and develop the
7 resources of any fish species.

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9 (c) Taking or killing turtle of any size from the first (1st) day of June to the thirty-
10 first (31st) day of August or from the first (1st) day of December to the thirty-first (31st)
11 day of January inclusive except resource exhibition events sponsored on the island of
12 Kosrae thru the Governor or his designee's written authorization.

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14 Section 5. Amendment. Title 19, Sections 19.409 of the Kosrae State Code is
15 hereby amended to read as follows:

16 Section 19.409. Unlawful Fruit Bat Hunting. Unlawful fruit bat hunting is the
17 taking, wounding, or killing of any fruit bat from the first (1st) day of March to the thirty-
18 first (31st) day of January inclusive, or during February from midnight Saturday to midniht
19 Sunday except resource exhibition events sponsored on the island of Kosrae thru the
20 Governor or his designee's written authorization. Any person in violation of Section
21 19.409 shall be penalized under Section 13.524 of Title 13."

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1 Section 5. Effective Date. This Act takes effect upon the approval of the Governor
2 or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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5 Date: July 13, 2023

Introduced by: /S/
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