CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Section §42-35-2.6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, following is a concise explanatory statement for the below identified regulation, which was subject to a public hearing on May 14, 2024.

AGENCY: Department of Environmental Management

DIVISION: Fish and Wildlife

RULE IDENTIFIER: 250-RICR-60-00-7

RULE TITLE: RI Falconry Regulations

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: The purpose of this filing is to govern the recreational hunting season dates, bag limits, regulations associated with practicing falconry in the state.

Part change to avoid opening this annually
7.1 Dates removed so it does not need to be opened annually
7.3(E) Incorporation of data from the Natural History Survey
7.7 language and spelling change corrections incorporating out of state opportunities
7.11 Correction of falconry license vs falconry capture permits throughout
7.11.1(B) Reference update to raptors for falconry throughout
7.11.1(I) Open window for renewal of old license after a laps
7.11.2 Minor language changes
7.11.3 Minor language changes
7.11.4 Minor language changes
7.11.8 Correction of bird names
7.11.9 Minor language changes
7.11.12 Minor grammatical changes, class advancement criterion noted
7.11.13 Minor language/name changes and grammatical changes
7.11.15 Minor language/name changes, spelling and grammatical changes
7.11.16 establish length for valid exam passing grade and requirements for class advancement
7.12 Removal of superfluous language

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS (for not adopting a proposed rule): None received

CHANGES TO TEXT (between proposed and final rule): None Received

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: N/A