

## 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 will be subject to a public hearing on May 12, 2026.

**AGENCY:** Department of Environmental Management

**DIVISION:** Fish and Wildlife

**RULE IDENTIFIER:** 250-RICR-60-00-13

**RULE TITLE:** Rules and Regulations Furbearers

**REASON FOR RULEMAKING:** The purpose of these regulations is to establish the standards under which “Wildlife Rehabilitators” may be permitted to conduct the handling, care for, dispatch of, release of, and other activities as related to wildlife protected by the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

13.4(A)4 Added definition for Domestic animal,  
13.4(A)7 Added definition for livestock,  
13.5(B) Updated species scientific names,  
13.5(C) Add special protections for special carnivores.

**TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS (for not adopting a proposed rule):** N/A.

**CHANGES TO TEXT (between proposed and final rule):** N/A

**REGULATORY ANALYSIS:** N/A