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SENATE BILL ***110***

AN ACT declaring the painted turtle to be the reptile of the biennium.

SPONSORS: Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3; Rep. LeBrun, Hills. 32; Rep. K. Rice, Hills. 37; Rep. Klee, Hills. 30; Rep. Jack, Hills. 36; Rep. Murotake, Hills. 32

COMMITTEE: Election Law and Internal Affairs

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill declares the painted turtle to be the reptile of the biennium.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 174:1 Reptile of the Biennium. The general court of the state of New Hampshire finds that the
2 painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*) is a vital part of the New Hampshire ecosystem which has adapted
3 to our long, cold winters by hibernating in the sand under the state's many beautiful lakes, ponds,
4 and other bodies of water. The general court further finds that as the painted turtle was named
5 such from the red, orange, and yellow markings on its head, neck, and tail which look like the
6 strokes of an artist's brush, it makes a colorful and suitable complement to many of the other
7 animals which have come to symbolize the state of New Hampshire such as the white tailed deer
8 and the purple finch. Therefore, in recognition of the notability of the painted turtle, the general
9 court of the state of New Hampshire declares the painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*) to be the reptile
10 of the biennium.

174:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: June 28, 2017
Effective Date: June 28, 2017