

Irrationality is no match for the threats of global warming

Wednesday's Globe provided a helpful contrast: Jeff Jacoby's arguments regarding global warming's benefits, "Climate change will bring blessings, too," presented the exact kind of departure from reason that Scot Leigh described in his column on the same page, "[The Republicans' era of irrationality.](#)"

Lehigh is right that "those who don't dwell in the realm of magical thinking must face . . . grim reality."

We live in dark times. Fortunately, Jacoby offers fodder for dark humor: Climate change will make more habitat for moose!

What delicious irony. Scientists have reported for years that moose are sick and dying due to global warming multiplying northern tick populations. Just two years ago, when she was a Republican senator from New Hampshire, Kelly Ayotte was willing to discuss climate change facts with me and other concerned citizens.

Running for reelection, she bemoaned the impact of climate change on New Hampshire's iconic moose population and its valuable tourism industry.

Don't worry. Maybe Shell Oil will build a wall against ticks so that moose can play and roam on the Arctic range. And if you clap real hard, Tinker Bell will prevent methane from leaking from the warming Arctic permafrost.

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