

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0103

Sale of hunting and fishing licenses.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and  
Cultural Resources Interim Committee

## A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; modifying provisions  
2 relating to fees charged for the sale of specified hunting  
3 and fishing licenses, permits, stamps and tags; providing  
4 for additional charges to the price of licenses, permits,  
5 stamps and tags; modifying provisions for the retention of  
6 fees by selling agents; modifying provisions relating to  
7 the sale of interstate game tags; conforming provisions;  
8 and providing for an effective date.

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10 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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12 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-6-305(a), 23-1-701(a) through (c)  
13 and (e), 23-1-702, 23-2-101(j) (intro) and by creating a new  
14 subsection (n), 23-2-107(e), 23-2-201(d) (intro),  
15 23-2-301(c) (intro), 23-2-306(a) (intro) and (b) (intro) and  
16 23-2-307(b) are amended to read:

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2           **11-6-305. Wyoming animal damage management board**  
3 **funding; sources; methods of collection.**

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5           (a) Effective January 1, 2000, there is created a  
6 "wildlife damage management" stamp. The stamp, issued at  
7 licensed selling agents as designated by the Wyoming game  
8 and fish commission may be purchased voluntarily. Proceeds  
9 from the sale of the stamp, excluding ~~twenty-five cents~~  
10 ~~(\$ .25)~~ fifty cents (\$.50) which the agent shall retain for  
11 each stamp sold, shall be deposited by the state treasurer  
12 into the animal damage management account created by W.S.  
13 11-6-306. The Wyoming game and fish commission shall retain  
14 the fees related to those administrative costs which are  
15 required to design and print stamps, and collect, account  
16 for and disburse these funds to the ADMB. The Wyoming game  
17 and fish commission shall annually provide to the ADMB a  
18 complete and detailed accounting of all administrative  
19 costs and fees.

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21           **23-1-701. Selling agents; administration of oaths;**  
22 **game tags.**

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1           (a) The commission with the advice of the director  
2 shall appoint agents to sell game, bird and fish licenses.  
3 ~~and tags.~~ Any vendor engaged in the commercial sale of  
4 sporting goods and equipment who holds a valid sales tax  
5 license issued by the department of revenue under W.S.  
6 39-15-106 may apply to the commission and shall be  
7 appointed as an agent to sell game, bird and fish licenses,  
8 permits and stamps. ~~and tags.~~ At the end of each year, the  
9 commission shall renew the appointment of agents who had  
10 combined game, bird and fish license, permit and stamp  
11 sales during that year of not less than one thousand  
12 dollars (\$1,000.00). Renewal of the appointment of agents  
13 selling fish licenses only or agents serving remote  
14 locations shall not be subject to the one thousand dollar  
15 (\$1,000.00) minimum sales requirement. The commission shall  
16 provide bonding for agents for the purpose of selling game,  
17 bird and fish licenses, permits and stamps. ~~and tags.~~  
18 Bonding shall be provided upon receipt of a nonrefundable  
19 annual fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00). The fees shall be  
20 deposited in a bond pool fund except in any month when the  
21 bond pool fund contains one hundred thousand dollars  
22 (\$100,000.00) or more the fees shall be deposited in the  
23 game and fish fund. The fee shall be paid to the  
24 commission before December 1 preceding the year for which

1 the bond shall be in effect. Newly appointed agents shall  
2 pay the same fee immediately upon appointment by the  
3 commission to receive bonding for the remainder of the  
4 calendar year in which the agent was appointed. All claims  
5 against an agent's bond shall be paid from the bond pool  
6 account.

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8 (b) Each license selling agent shall charge a fee as  
9 provided in this subsection for each license, permit or  
10 stamp he sells or distributes pursuant to this act. The  
11 fee shall not be charged if this act specifies that the  
12 issuance shall be without fee or fails to establish a fee  
13 for the issuance of the license, permit or stamp. Each  
14 license, permit or stamp sold or distributed under this act  
15 shall display the total amount only of all fees and other  
16 charges required under this act. Each selling agent shall  
17 retain ~~fifty cents (\$.50)~~ one dollar and fifty cents  
18 (\$1.50) for each license and ~~twenty five cents (\$.25)~~ fifty  
19 cents (\$.50) for each ~~conservation~~ stamp ~~under W.S.~~  
20 ~~23-2-306~~ or permit he sells. For failure to comply with  
21 this section, selling agents shall not be entitled to ~~fifty~~  
22 ~~cents (\$.50) per license and twenty five cents (\$.25) for~~  
23 ~~each conservation stamp sold~~ retain the amounts specified  
24 in this subsection and shall be liable on their bond. No

1 employee of the commission shall receive any commission on  
2 licenses, ~~or tags~~ stamps or permits sold, but the  
3 department shall charge the additional fee specified in  
4 this subsection for each license, stamp or permit sold by  
5 commission employees. The fee charged under this subsection  
6 shall be in addition to the amount otherwise established by  
7 this act for the license, permit or stamp and shall be as  
8 follows:

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10 (i) One dollar (\$1.00) for each license, except  
11 that this additional fee shall not be charged for licenses  
12 under W.S. 23-1-705(e), 23-2-101(j)(xi), (xvi), (xvii),  
13 (xx), (xxi), (xxxii) or (xxxiii), 23-2-201(d)(iii) or (iv)  
14 or (f) or 23-2-301(c)(xiii);

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16 (ii) Fifty cents (\$.50) for each stamp;

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18 (iii) Fifty cents (\$.50) for each permit, except  
19 that this additional fee shall not be charged for permits  
20 under W.S. 23-1-302(m).

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22 (c) On or before the 10th of each month every selling  
23 agent shall file a report for the preceding month with the  
24 commission on forms approved by the commission. Selling

1 agents shall also remit all money collected during the  
2 previous month less commission, and shall account for and  
3 deliver all surplus, unused and damaged licenses, ~~tags,~~  
4 permits, stamps, and stubs of licenses received by the  
5 selling agent to the commission.

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7 (e) The department shall supply sufficient numbers of  
8 self-locking tags stamped with the words "~~Wyoming game tag~~"  
9 ~~or~~ "Wyoming interstate game tag". The commission by rule  
10 may authorize the distribution of interstate game tags by  
11 taxidermists, meat processing plants or other businesses as  
12 the commission determines. The commission by rule may set  
13 the commissions for the sale of interstate game tags not to  
14 exceed the commissions paid to license selling agents for  
15 the sale of licenses. The commission by rule may also set  
16 the reporting requirements for businesses authorized to  
17 distribute interstate game tags. Interstate game tags shall  
18 be furnished through the chief game warden for distribution  
19 to the game wardens, and such ~~selling agents game tag~~  
20 distributors as the commission may designate. Game wardens  
21 and ~~selling agents game tag distributors~~ shall collect and  
22 remit to the department the proper fee for each ~~Wyoming~~  
23 ~~game tag or~~ Wyoming interstate game tag.

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1           **23-1-702. Duplicate license upon loss or destruction**  
2 **of original; issuance; fees.**

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4 When any license issued under this act has been lost or  
5 destroyed, the licensee may secure a duplicate of the  
6 original license from any district office or any authorized  
7 personnel of the department upon the presentation of  
8 satisfactory proof that the original license was lost or  
9 destroyed. Prior to issuing the duplicate license and in  
10 accordance with rule and regulation of the commission, the  
11 department may assess a fee of not more than three dollars  
12 (\$3.00) plus the fee charged under W.S. 23-1-701. Duplicate  
13 licenses shall be issued in accordance with procedure  
14 established by commission order.

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16           **23-2-101. Fees; restrictions; nonresident application**  
17 **fee; nonresident licenses; verification of residency**  
18 **required.**

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20           (j) Subject to W.S. 23-2-101(f) and the applicable  
21 fee under W.S. 23-1-701, the following hunting licenses and  
22 tags may be purchased for the fee indicated and subject to  
23 the limitations provided:

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1       (n) For issuing each harvest information permit  
2 required under federal law license selling agents and  
3 commission employees shall charge the fee authorized by  
4 W.S. 23-1-701(b) (iv).

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6       **23-2-107. Wild bison licenses.**

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8       (e) A resident applicant shall pay a license fee of  
9 three hundred thirty dollars (\$330.00) and shall pay the  
10 fee required by W.S. 23-2-101(e). A nonresident applicant  
11 shall pay a license fee of two thousand one hundred dollars  
12 (\$2,100.00) and shall pay the fee required by W.S.  
13 23-2-101(e). The fee charged under W.S. 23-1-701 shall be  
14 in addition to the fee imposed under this subsection.

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16       **23-2-201. Fees; restrictions; verification of**  
17 **residency required.**

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19       (d) The following fishing licenses may be purchased  
20 for the fee indicated in addition to the applicable fee  
21 under W.S. 23-1-701 and subject to the limitations  
22 provided:

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1           **23-2-301. Miscellaneous fees; verification of**  
2 **residency required.**

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4           (c) The following licenses and tags may be purchased  
5 for the fee indicated in addition to the applicable fee  
6 under W.S. 23-1-701 and subject to other requirements of  
7 this article:

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9           **23-2-306. Conservation stamp; exemptions.**

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11           (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section and the  
12 applicable fee under W.S. 23-1-701, each sportsman licensed  
13 under W.S. 23-2-101, 23-2-107 or 23-2-201 shall purchase a  
14 single conservation stamp for ten dollars (\$10.00) which  
15 shall be valid for one (1) calendar year and in the  
16 possession of any person exercising rights under any  
17 fishing or hunting license issued pursuant to W.S.  
18 23-2-101, 23-2-107 or 23-2-201. Holders of pioneer licenses  
19 as defined under W.S. 23-1-705(d) and (e), of special  
20 limited fishing permits issued under W.S. 23-2-207 and  
21 holders of licenses only under W.S. 23-2-101(j)(v) and  
22 (vi), 23-2-201(d)(vi) and (vii) and 23-2-201(f) are exempt  
23 from the provisions of this section. Revenues collected

1 from the sale of each stamp under this subsection shall be  
2 deposited as follows:

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4 (b) A lifetime conservation stamp may be purchased  
5 for one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) plus the applicable  
6 fee under W.S. 23-1-701. Revenues collected from the sale  
7 of each stamp under this subsection shall be deposited as  
8 follows:

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10 **23-2-307. Special management permit.**

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12 (b) Special management permits may be purchased from  
13 the department or its authorized selling agents for ten  
14 dollars (\$10.00) plus the applicable fee under W.S.  
15 23-1-701 and shall be valid for one (1) calendar year.

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17 **Section 2.** This act is effective January 1, 2005.

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