

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0024

Game and fish violations-penalties.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; providing felony
2 penalties for second or subsequent convictions of taking
3 specified big game animals without a license and for wanton
4 destruction of big game animals; and providing for an
5 effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-3-102(d) and 23-3-107(d) are
10 amended to read:

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12 **23-3-102. Taking certain game animals without license**
13 **or during a closed season prohibited.**

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15 (d) Any person who knowingly takes any antlered elk,
16 antlered deer, antlered moose, horned antelope, bighorn

1 sheep, mountain goat, mountain lion, grizzly bear or black
2 bear without the proper license or during a closed season
3 except as otherwise permitted by this act is guilty of a
4 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than five
5 thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) nor more than ten thousand
6 dollars (\$10,000.00), imprisonment for not more than one
7 (1) year, or both. A second or subsequent conviction
8 within ten (10) years for a violation of this subsection
9 may constitute a felony punishable by a fine of not less
10 than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) nor more than ten
11 thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), imprisonment for not more
12 than ten (10) years, or both.

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14 **23-3-107. Wanton destruction of big game animal;**
15 **reward.**

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17 (d) Violation of this section constitutes a high
18 misdemeanor punishable as provided in W.S. 23-6-202(a)(ii).
19 A second or subsequent conviction within ten (10) years for
20 a violation of this section may constitute a felony
21 punishable by a fine of not less than five thousand dollars
22 (\$5,000.00) nor more than ten thousand dollars
23 (\$10,000.00), imprisonment for not more than ten (10)
24 years, or both.

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2 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2009.

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