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ENROLLED ACT NO. 9, SENATE

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2009 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to elk and disease transmission to livestock; prohibiting intentional feeding of elk; providing exceptions; providing definitions; providing penalties; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 23-3-309 is created to read:

23-3-309. Intentional feeding of elk; penalty.

(a) No person shall intentionally attract or feed any elk by depositing, placing, distributing or scattering feed that results in commingling with livestock.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit:

(i) Any normal or accepted agricultural management practice;

(ii) Any elk feeding program authorized or conducted by the department;

(iii) Any legal form of baiting elk as authorized by commission rule and regulation;

(iv) Any feeding of elk for the purpose of reducing the opportunity for contact with livestock when undertaken with prior notice to the department;

(v) Any feeding of elk outside a brucellosis surveillance area designated pursuant to Wyoming livestock board rules and regulations.

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(c) A first violation of this section constitutes a low misdemeanor punishable as provided in W.S. 23-6-202(a)(v). A second or subsequent violation of this section constitutes a high misdemeanor punishable as provided in W.S. 23-6-202(a)(ii).

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

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: ______ DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk