ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0085

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ENROLLED ACT NO. 88, SENATE

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2011 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to game and fish; specifying penalties for convictions of taking specified big game animals without a license and for wanton destruction of big game animals; providing an exception to a firearms criminal statute as specified; and providing for an effective date.

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

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

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

Any person who knowingly takes any antlered elk, antlered deer, antlered moose, horned antelope, bighorn sheep, mountain qoat, mountain lion, grizzly bear or black bear without the proper license or during a closed season except as otherwise permitted by this act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) nor more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or both. A third or subsequent conviction within ten (10) years for a violation of this subsection shall constitute a felony punishable by a fine of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) nor more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), imprisonment for not more than two (2) years, or both. For the purposes of determining whether a violation of this subsection is a felony, convictions resulting from the same occurrence shall be considered a single conviction even if the result of the occurrence is more than one (1) misdemeanor conviction. The provisions of W.S. 6-8-101(a) shall not apply to convictions under this section.

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

(d) Violation of this section constitutes a high misdemeanor punishable as provided in W.S. 23-6-202(a)(ii). A third or subsequent conviction within ten (10) years for a violation of this section shall constitute a felony punishable by a fine of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) nor more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), imprisonment for not more than two (2) years, or both. For the purposes of determining whether a violation of this subsection is a felony, convictions resulting from the same occurrence shall be considered a single conviction even if the result of the occurrence is more than one (1) misdemeanor conviction. The provisions of W.S. 6-8-101(a) shall not apply to convictions under this section.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2011.

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Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
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I hereby certify that this act original	ginated in the Senate.
Chief Clerk	