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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Game and fish-waiting period for big game licenses.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; providing for a waiting
2 period between limited quota drawing elk, deer and antelope
3 licenses; providing an exception; and providing for an
4 effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-1-703(f), (h), by creating a new
9 subsection (j) and 23-1-705(a) are amended to read:

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11 **23-1-703. Limitation of number of big or trophy game**
12 **animal licenses; reservation of certain licenses;**
13 **reservation of certain unused licenses.**

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2 (f) Notwithstanding W.S. 23-1-704 and 23-2-101(j),
3 any person who is issued and purchases a big or trophy game
4 animal license for any species and sex of animal specified
5 under subsections (b) ~~, and~~ (c) and (j) of this section and
6 is unable to use for good cause as provided by regulations
7 that license for the year in which issued, may reserve a
8 license for the particular species and sex of animal
9 designated on the unused license for use during the
10 immediately succeeding calendar year by applying to the
11 commission before the opening date of the season for the
12 designated species and sex of animal during the year for
13 which the initial license is issued. The initial big or
14 trophy game animal license shall accompany the application.
15 Upon receipt, the commission shall cancel the initial
16 license and prior to the season opening date for the
17 designated species and sex of animal during the immediately
18 succeeding calendar year, issue at no cost to the applicant
19 a license for the designated big or trophy game animal
20 valid for that year.

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22 (h) Rules and regulations shall be promulgated by the
23 game and fish commission to carry out subsections (a)

1 through (f) and (j) of this section and may be promulgated
2 as provided in subsection (g) of this section.

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4 (j) Except as specifically provided in subsection (f)
5 of this section or W.S. 23-1-705(a), no person, resident or
6 nonresident, may apply for and receive more than one (1)
7 elk, one (1) deer or one (1) antelope license from any
8 limited quota area in any consecutive five (5) year period.

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10 **23-1-705. Complimentary licenses; one-shot antelope**
11 **hunt licenses; gunpowder and buckskin hunt licenses;**
12 **gratuitous licenses.**

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14 (a) At the request of the governor, the commission
15 shall annually issue up to twenty (20) complimentary
16 hunting and twenty (20) complimentary fishing licenses.
17 Not more than five (5) big horn sheep and five (5) moose
18 licenses shall be issued under this subsection. The five
19 (5) year restriction imposed on the receipt of a ~~moose or~~
20 ~~big horn sheep~~ license by W.S. 23-1-703(b) or (j) shall not
21 be applicable in any manner to a license issued pursuant to
22 this subsection. Except as provided under subsection (g)
23 of this section, no complimentary licenses may be issued at

1 the request of the appointed commissioners. Immediately
2 upon issuance of any of these licenses, the commission
3 shall submit to the secretary of state for maintenance as a
4 public record, the name and address of each licensee and
5 the type of license issued.

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7 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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9 (END)