

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0052

Game and fish-license revenue recoupment.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; creating a free and
2 reduced price license revenue recoupment program; providing
3 for recoupment of license revenues lost due to statutorily
4 designated free and reduced priced hunting and fishing
5 licenses; providing for reports; providing an
6 appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-1-504 is created to read:

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12 **23-1-504. Free and reduced price license revenue**
13 **recoupment program.**

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15 (a) Not later than July 31, 2007, and not later than
16 July 31 of each subsequent year thereafter, the chief

1 fiscal officer of the game and fish department shall
2 prepare and certify a report of licenses sold or issued in
3 the previous calendar year under the following statutes:

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5 (i) W.S. 23-2-201(d)(iii) and (iv), (f) and (g);

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7 (ii) W.S. 23-2-101(j)(xi), (xvi), (xvii), (xx),
8 (xxi), (xxxii) and (xxxiii);

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10 (iii) W.S. 23-2-301(c)(xiii);

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12 (iv) W.S. 23-1-705(a), (d) and (e); and

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14 (v) W.S. 23-2-207(a).

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16 (b) The chief fiscal officer of the game and fish
17 department shall submit to the state auditor the report
18 created under subsection (a) of this section with a payment
19 request for the number of licenses of each type sold or
20 issued multiplied by the difference between the amount
21 received by the department for that license and the cost of
22 a full price adult license corresponding with each type of
23 license sold or issued.

(c) Upon receipt of the report and payment request, the state auditor shall transfer to the game and fish fund the amount claimed on the payment request from funds appropriated for this program to the extent available.

(d) The game and fish department shall prepare a biennial budget request prior to each budget session of the legislature for the purpose of funding the free and reduced price license revenue recoupment program and shall submit the request to the governor pursuant to W.S. 9-2-1010 through 9-2-1013.

Section 2. There is appropriated to the state auditor one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000.00) from the general fund for the period beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. Funds appropriated under this section shall only be expended for the purpose of funding the free and reduced price license revenue recoupment program and shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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