

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0070

Game and fish-license fees.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; amending license,
2 application, entry, stamp and permit fees; amending
3 landowner coupon payments; amending selling agent fees; and
4 providing for an 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. 23-1-701(b)(intro) and (i),
9 23-2-101(e), (f)(i) through (iii) and (j)(i) through (x),
10 (xii) through (xv), (xviii), (xix), (xxii) through (xxxi),
11 (xxxiv), (xxxv), (xxxvii) through (xlii), (xliii)(A) and
12 (B), 23-2-107(c)(ii) and (e), 23-2-201(d)(i), (ii), (vi)
13 through (viii), 23-2-301(c)(i) through (xii),
14 23-2-306(a)(intro), (i) and (b)(intro), 23-2-307(b) and
15 23-3-105(b) are amended to read:

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1 **23-1-701. Selling agents; administration of oaths;**
2 **licenses, permits and game tags.**

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4 (b) Each license selling agent shall charge a fee as
5 provided in this subsection for each license, permit or
6 stamp he sells or distributes pursuant to this act. The
7 fee shall not be charged if this act specifies that the
8 issuance shall be without fee or fails to establish a fee
9 for the issuance of the license, permit or stamp. Each
10 license, permit or stamp sold or distributed under this act
11 shall display the total amount only of all fees and other
12 charges required under this act or otherwise provided by
13 law. Each selling agent shall retain ~~one dollar and fifty~~
14 ~~cents (\$1.50)~~ two dollars (\$2.00) for each license and
15 fifty cents (\$.50) for each stamp or permit he sells. For
16 failure to comply with this section, selling agents shall
17 not be entitled to retain the amounts specified in this
18 subsection and shall be liable on their bond. No employee
19 of the commission shall receive any commission on licenses,
20 stamps or permits sold, but the department shall charge the
21 additional fee specified in this subsection, or otherwise
22 provided by law, for each license, stamp or permit sold by
23 commission employees. The fee charged under this subsection
24 shall be in addition to the amount otherwise established by

1 this act for the license, permit or stamp and shall be as
2 follows:

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4 (i) ~~One dollar (\$1.00)~~ Two dollars (\$2.00) for
5 each license, except that this additional fee shall not be
6 charged for licenses under W.S. 23-1-705(e),
7 23-2-101(j)(xi), (xvi), (xvii), (xx), (xxi), (xxxii) or
8 (xxxiii), 23-2-201(d)(iii) or (iv) or (f) or
9 23-2-301(c)(xiii);

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11 **23-2-101. Fees; restrictions; nonresident application**
12 **fee; nonresident licenses; verification of residency**
13 **required.**

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15 (e) Resident and nonresident license applicants shall
16 pay an application fee in an amount specified by this
17 subsection upon submission of an application for purchase
18 of any limited quota drawing for big or trophy game license
19 or wild bison license. The resident application fee shall
20 be ~~four dollars (\$4.00)~~ five dollars (\$5.00) and the
21 nonresident application fee shall be ~~twelve dollars~~
22 ~~(\$12.00)~~ fourteen dollars (\$14.00). The application fee is
23 in addition to the fees prescribed by subsections (f) and
24 (j) of this section and by W.S. 23-2-107 and shall be

1 payable to the department either directly or through an
2 authorized selling agent of the department. At the
3 beginning of each month, the commission shall set aside all
4 of the fees collected during calendar year 1980 and not to
5 exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the fees collected
6 thereafter pursuant to this subsection to establish and
7 maintain a working balance of five hundred thousand dollars
8 (\$500,000.00), to compensate owners or lessees of property
9 damaged by game animals and game birds.

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11 (f) Forty percent (40%) of available nonresident elk
12 licenses, forty percent (40%) of available nonresident deer
13 licenses and forty percent (40%) of available nonresident
14 antelope licenses for any one (1) calendar year shall as
15 established by the commission, be offered to nonresident
16 applicants upon receipt of the fee prescribed by this
17 subsection. Seventy-five (75) of the nonresident deer
18 licenses set aside pursuant to this subsection shall be
19 used for a national bow hunt for deer. The licenses
20 authorized by this subsection shall be offered by drawing
21 to nonresident applicants prior to the drawing for the
22 remaining nonresident licenses issued. The licenses
23 offered under this subsection shall be issued in a manner
24 prescribed by rules and regulations promulgated by the

1 commission. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit any
2 unsuccessful applicant for a nonresident license pursuant
3 to this subsection from submitting an application for any
4 licenses remaining after the drawing during the calendar
5 year in which the application under this subsection was
6 submitted. The following fees shall be collected by the
7 department and are in addition to the nonresident license
8 fee for the appropriate big game species imposed under
9 subsection (j) of this section and the application fee
10 imposed under subsection (e) of this section:

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12 (i) Nonresident elk license..... ~~\$400.00~~
13 \$480.00 in addition to the license fee imposed under
14 paragraph (j)(xix) of this section;

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16 (ii) Nonresident deer license.... ~~\$200.00~~
17 \$240.00 in addition to the license fee imposed under
18 paragraph (j)(xv) of this section;

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20 (iii) Nonresident antelope license..... ~~\$200.00~~
21 \$240.00 in addition to the license fee imposed under
22 paragraph (j)(xxxi) of this section.

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(j) Subject to W.S. 23-2-101(f), 23-1-705(e) and the applicable fee under W.S. 23-1-701, the following hunting licenses and tags may be purchased for the fee indicated and subject to the limitations provided:

(i) Resident black bear license; one (1) black bear.....~~\$36.00~~ \$43.00

(ii) Nonresident black bear license; one (1) black bear.....~~300.00~~ 360.00

(iii) Resident mountain lion license; one (1) mountain lion.....~~24.00~~ 28.00

(iv) Nonresident mountain lion license; one (1) mountain lion.....~~300.00~~ 360.00

(v) Resident daily game bird/small game license; all game birds except wild turkey.....~~6.00~~ 7.00

(vi) Nonresident daily game bird/small game license; all game birds except wild turkey.....~~15.00~~ 18.00

1 (vii) Resident lifetime game bird and small game
2 license; all game birds except wild turkey.... ~~250.00~~ 300.00
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4 (viii) Resident lifetime game bird/small game
5 and fishing license; all game birds except wild turkey
6 ~~400.00~~ 480.00
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8 (ix) Resident game bird/small game license; all
9 game birds except wild turkey..... ~~18.00~~ 22.00
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11 (x) Nonresident game bird/small game license;
12 all game birds except wild turkey..... ~~60.00~~ 70.00
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14 (xii) Resident archery license..... ~~12.00~~ 14.00
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16 (xiii) Nonresident archery license.... ~~24.00~~ 28.00
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18 (xiv) Resident deer license; one (1) deer.....
19 ~~30.00~~ 36.00
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21 (xv) Nonresident deer license; one (1)
22 deer..... ~~260.00~~ 310.00
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1 (xviii) Resident elk license; one (1) elk
2~~42.00~~ 50.00
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4 (xix) Nonresident elk license; one (1) elk,
5 fishing privileges.....~~480.00~~ 575.00
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7 (xxii) Resident bighorn sheep license; one (1)
8 bighorn sheep.....~~95.00~~ 115.00
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10 (xxiii) Nonresident bighorn sheep license; one
11 (1) bighorn sheep.....~~1,900.00~~ 2,250.00
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13 (xxiv) Resident mountain goat license; one (1)
14 mountain goat.....~~100.00~~ 120.00
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16 (xxv) Nonresident mountain goat license; one (1)
17 mountain goat.....~~1,800.00~~ 2,150.00
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19 (xxvi) Resident moose license; one (1)
20 moose.....~~90.00~~ 110.00
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22 (xxvii) Nonresident moose license; one (1)
23 moose.....~~1,200.00~~ 1,400.00
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1 (xxviii) Resident grizzly bear license; one (1)
2 grizzly bear.....~~500.00~~ 600.00
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4 (xxix) Nonresident grizzly bear license; one (1)
5 grizzly bear.....~~5,000.00~~ 6,000.00
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7 (xxx) Resident antelope license; one (1)
8 antelope.....~~26.00~~ 31.00
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10 (xxxi) Nonresident antelope license; one (1)
11 antelope.....~~225.00~~ 270.00
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13 (xxxiv) Resident license to capture falcons for
14 falconry purposes.....~~30.00~~ 36.00
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16 (xxxv) Nonresident license to capture falcons
17 for falconry purposes.....~~200.00~~ 240.00
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19 (xxxvii) License to hunt with falcon; game
20 birds, small game animals.....~~12.00~~ 14.00
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22 (xxxviii) Resident turkey license.....~~12.00~~ 14.00
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24 (xxxix) Nonresident turkey license.....~~60.00~~ 70.00

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2 (xl) Wyoming interstate game tag.....~~5.00~~ 6.00

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4 (xli) Resident game bird license; all game birds
5 except turkey.....~~12.00~~ 14.00

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7 (xlii) Resident small game license....~~12.00~~ 14.00

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9 (xliii) From and after the date gray wolves are
10 removed from the list of experimental nonessential
11 population, endangered species or threatened species in
12 Wyoming as provided by W.S. 23-1-108:

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14 (A) Resident gray wolf license ~~\$15.00~~ \$18.00

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16 (B) Nonresident gray wolf license

17~~\$150.00~~ \$180.00

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19 **23-2-107. Wild bison licenses.**

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21 (c) The commission shall promulgate reasonable rules
22 and regulations regulating wild bison licenses and the
23 management of wild bison. The rules shall provide for:

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1 (ii) A nonrefundable entry fee for the drawing
2 of a license, which shall be a minimum of ~~five dollars~~
3 ~~(\$5.00)~~ six dollars (\$6.00);

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5 (e) A resident applicant shall pay a license fee of
6 ~~three hundred thirty dollars (\$330.00)~~ four hundred dollars
7 (\$400.00) and shall pay the fee required by W.S.
8 23-2-101(e). A nonresident applicant shall pay a license
9 fee of ~~two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00)~~ two
10 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) and shall pay the
11 fee required by W.S. 23-2-101(e). The fee charged under
12 W.S. 23-1-701 shall be in addition to the fee imposed under
13 this subsection.

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15 **23-2-201. Fees; restrictions; verification of**
16 **residency required.**

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18 (d) The following fishing licenses may be purchased
19 for the fee indicated in addition to the applicable fee
20 under W.S. 23-1-701 and subject to the limitations
21 provided:

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23 (i) Resident fishing license.....~~\$ 18.00~~ \$22.00

1 (ii) Nonresident fishing license.....~~75.00~~ 90.00

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3 (vi) Nonresident daily fishing license

4~~10.00~~ 12.00

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6 (vii) Resident daily fishing license

7~~3.00~~ 4.00

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9 (viii) Resident lifetime fishing license

10~~250.00~~ 300.00

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12 **23-2-301. Miscellaneous fees; verification of**

13 **residency required.**

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15 (c) The following licenses and tags may be purchased

16 for the fee indicated in addition to the applicable fee

17 under W.S. 23-1-701 and subject to other requirements of

18 this article:

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20 (i) Resident trapping license-furbearing

21~~\$35.00~~ \$42.00

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23 (ii) License to capture furbearing animals for

24 domestication.....~~15.00~~ 18.00

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2 (iii) Resident fur dealer's license...~~42.00~~ 50.00
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4 (iv) Nonresident fur dealer's license
5~~230.00~~ 275.00
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7 (v) Taxidermist's license.....~~55.00~~ 65.00
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9 (vi) Nonresident taxidermist's license
10~~600.00~~ 700.00
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12 (vii) Game bird farm license.....~~110.00~~ 130.00
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14 (viii) Fishing preserve license.....~~110.00~~ 130.00
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16 (ix) Commercial fish hatchery license
17~~150.00~~ 180.00
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19 (x) License to seine or trap fish.....~~15.00~~ 18.00
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21 (xi) License to deal in live bait.....~~55.00~~ 65.00
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23 (xii) Nonresident trapping license-
24 furbearing.....~~200.00~~ 240.00

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23-2-306. Conservation stamp; exemptions.

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(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section and the applicable fee under W.S. 23-1-701, each sportsman licensed under W.S. 23-2-101, 23-2-107 or 23-2-201 shall purchase a single conservation stamp for ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ twelve dollars (\$12.00) which shall be valid for one (1) calendar year and the stamp or an authorization signifying purchase of the stamp shall be in the possession of any person exercising rights under any fishing or hunting license issued pursuant to W.S. 23-2-101, 23-2-107 or 23-2-201. Holders of licenses issued under W.S. 23-1-705(d) and (e), of special limited fishing permits issued under W.S. 23-2-207 and holders of licenses only under W.S. 23-2-101(j)(v) and (vi), 23-2-201(d)(vi) and (vii), 23-2-201(f) and 23-2-201(g) are exempt from the provisions of this section. Revenues collected from the sale of each stamp under this subsection shall be deposited as follows:

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(i) ~~Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50)~~ Twenty-five percent (25%) of the revenues collected under this subsection into the account created under W.S. 23-1-501(e);

(b) A lifetime conservation stamp may be purchased for ~~one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00)~~ one hundred eighty dollars (\$180.00) plus the applicable fee under W.S. 23-1-701. Revenues collected from the sale of each stamp under this subsection shall be deposited as follows:

23-2-307. Special management permit.

(b) Special management permits may be purchased from the department or its authorized selling agents for ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ twelve dollars (\$12.00) plus the applicable fee under W.S. 23-1-701 and shall be valid for one (1) calendar year.

23-3-105. Antelope, deer and elk coupons; payment to landowner; kill on federal or state land.

(b) The landowner's coupon shall promptly be detached, dated, signed and delivered to the landowner. The landowner on or before February 1 following the year for which the license was valid, shall deliver to the department the coupon and an affidavit that the antelope, deer or elk for which the coupon was delivered was killed on his land. Upon receipt of the coupon and affidavit the

1 department shall pay the landowner ~~thirteen dollars~~
2 ~~(\$13.00)~~ sixteen dollars (\$16.00) for each coupon from an
3 antelope, deer or elk license. Landowner's coupons are not
4 transferable. Any unauthorized person attempting to collect
5 any sum for any landowner's coupon is guilty of a second
6 degree misdemeanor. Effective January 1, 2000, the
7 department shall provide a checkoff box on each landowner
8 coupon affidavit claim form that offers the claimant the
9 opportunity to designate the animal damage management board
10 to receive his payment amount for landowner coupons claimed
11 on that form. For each claim made where the landowner has
12 designated his payment to the animal damage management
13 board, the department shall transfer that amount to the
14 animal damage management account created by W.S. 11-6-306
15 and the department shall retain the fees related to those
16 administrative costs of the transfer.

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18 **Section 2.** This act is effective January 1, 2008.

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