

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0028

Disabled hunter programs.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; providing for use of
2 artificial lighting devices by person with visual
3 disabilities; providing for additional antelope licenses
4 for disabled hunters; repealing restrictions on disabled
5 hunter companion permits; and providing for an effective
6 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. 23-1-705(h) and 23-3-306(b) are
11 amended to read:

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13 **23-1-705. Complimentary licenses; one-shot antelope**
14 **hunt licenses; gunpowder and buckskin hunt licenses;**
15 **gratuitous licenses; donated licenses.**

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1 (h) In addition the commission may, upon receipt of
2 payment of antelope license fees, issue up to a total of
3 ~~thirty (30)~~ fifty (50) antelope licenses each year for the
4 exclusive distribution by nonprofit organizations dedicated
5 to providing hunting opportunities to individuals with
6 disabilities for use by those individuals for hunting
7 opportunities.

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9 **23-3-306. Use of aircraft, automobiles, motorized and**
10 **snow vehicles and artificial light for hunting or fishing**
11 **prohibited; exception; penalties.**

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13 (b) No person shall take any wildlife with the aid of
14 or by using any artificial light or lighting device except:
15 ~~that predators may be taken with the aid of an artificial~~
16 ~~light or lighting device by:~~

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18 (i) A public officer authorized to and
19 conducting predator control; ~~predators;~~

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21 (ii) A landowner, resident manager, or person
22 with the landowner's or a resident manager's written
23 permission, may take predators on land under the
24 landowner's control for the protection of his property; ~~i.~~

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(iii) The commission shall establish by rule and regulation specifications for the taking of game animals with the use of artificial light or lighting devices by persons with central visual acuity disabilities.

Section 2. W.S. 23-1-302(m)(i) is repealed.

Section 3. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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