STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0176

Game and fish-data protection.

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

A BILL

for

1	AN ACT relating to game and fish; limiting release of
2	personally identifiable information, including geographic
3	information of the legal taking of wildlife; requiring
4	rulemaking; and providing for effective dates.
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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. 23-1-302 by creating a new subsection
9	(r) is amended to read:
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11	23-1-302. Powers and duties.
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13	(r) Personally identifiable and geographic
14	information associated with the legal taking of wildlife
15	within this state is solely for the use of the commission,

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1	department or appropriate law enforcement office and is not
2	a public record for purposes of W.S. 16-4-201 through
3	16-4-205. Personally identifiable information shall not be
4	released or otherwise publicly disseminated by the
5	commission or department unless authorized in writing by
6	the person legally taking wildlife. Geographic information
7	of the taking shall not be released or otherwise publicly
8	disseminated by the commission or department unless
9	authorized in writing by the person legally taking wildlife
10	and, where the taking occurred on private land, by the
11	landowner or manager of the land where the taking occurred.
12	Personally identifiable and geographic information under
13	this subsection shall be specified by rule of the
14	commission and shall include a person's name, address,
15	telephone number, date of birth, social security number,
16	electronic mail address and information specifying the
17	geographic location of the taking that could reasonably
18	lead to identifying the person legally taking wildlife or
19	the owner, manager or specific location of the land where
20	the taking took place.

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1 Section 2. The game and fish commission shall 2 promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement 3 this act on or before July 1, 2020. 4 5 Section 3. 6 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this 7 8 section, this act is effective July 1, 2020. 9 (b) Sections 2 and 3 of this act are effective 10 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a 11 12 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of 13 the Wyoming Constitution. 14 15 (END)

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