HOUSE BILL NO. HB0149

The Naomi hunting exception act.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Western

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; creating an exception to
- 2 the minimum age requirement to take any big or trophy game
- 3 animal; requiring rulemaking; and providing for effective
- 4 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. 23-2-102(a) and by creating a new
- 9 subsection (d) is amended to read:

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- 23-2-102. Age restrictions; game animals; game birds;
- 12 exception.

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- 14 (a) The minimum age to take any big or trophy game
- 15 animal is twelve (12) years, except as provided in
- 16 <u>subsection</u> (d) of this <u>section</u>. Any person authorized by

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this subsection under the age of fourteen (14) years shall 1 2 at all times when hunting be accompanied by a person over the age of majority who possesses and can exhibit a 3 4 certificate of competency and safety as specified in W.S. 23-2-106 or who currently holds, or has been issued a 5 Wyoming big game hunting license within the last five (5) 6 years. If the person accompanying the hunter under the age 7 8 of fourteen (14) years is not the parent or guardian of the 9 hunter, the hunter shall have in his possession a 10 permission slip signed by his parent or quardian allowing 11 him to hunt under supervision. Each accompanying adult 12 shall supervise not more than one (1) hunter under the age 13 of fourteen (14) years. Any person under the age of fourteen (14) years applying for a license to hunt big or 14

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legal guardian.

(d) The minimum age requirement to take any big or trophy game animal imposed under subsection (a) of this section may be waived by the commission as provided by rule for persons under the minimum age requirement who demonstrate they are suffering from a progressive,

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trophy game animals under this subsection shall have the

application for the license co-signed by his parent or

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- 1 degenerative or malignant condition currently placing the
- 2 person's life in jeopardy.

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- 4 **Section 2.** The game and fish commission shall
- 5 promulgate rules necessary to implement this act on or
- 6 before July 1, 2020.

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8 Section 3.

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- 10 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this
- 11 section, this act is effective July 1, 2020.

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- 13 (b) Sections 2 and 3 of this act are effective
- 14 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a
- 15 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of
- 16 the Wyoming Constitution.

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18 (END)

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