

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. HB0200

ENROLLED ACT NO. 73, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2023 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to game and fish; modifying the provisions of elk, deer, antelope, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, moose, grizzly bear and wild bison hunting licenses issued to nonresident applicants; increasing nonresident license fees to hunt elk, deer, antelope, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, moose, grizzly bear and wild bison; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 23-2-101(f)(i) through (iii), (j)(xxiii), (xxv), (xxvii) and (xxix) and 23-2-107(e) are amended to read:

23-2-101. Fees; restrictions; nonresident application fee; nonresident licenses; verification of residency required; donation of refunded application fees.

(f) Forty percent (40%) of available nonresident elk licenses, forty percent (40%) of available nonresident deer licenses and forty percent (40%) of available nonresident antelope licenses for any one (1) calendar year shall as established by the commission, be offered to nonresident applicants upon receipt of the fee prescribed by this subsection. Seventy-five (75) of the nonresident deer licenses set aside pursuant to this subsection shall be used for a national bow hunt for deer. The licenses authorized by this subsection shall be offered by drawing to nonresident applicants prior to the drawing for the remaining nonresident licenses issued. The licenses offered under this subsection shall be issued in a manner prescribed by rules and regulations promulgated by the commission. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit any unsuccessful applicant for a nonresident license pursuant to this subsection from submitting an application for any

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licenses remaining after the drawing during the calendar year in which the application under this subsection was submitted. The following fees shall be collected by the department and are in addition to the nonresident license fee for the appropriate big game species imposed under subsection (j) of this section and the application fee imposed under subsection (e) of this section:

(i) Nonresident elk license ~~\$576.00~~
\$1,258.00 in addition to the license fee imposed under paragraph (j)(xix) of this section;

(ii) Nonresident deer license ~~\$288.00~~
\$826.00 in addition to the license fee imposed under paragraph (j)(xv) of this section;

(iii) Nonresident antelope license ~~\$288.00~~
\$874.00 in addition to the license fee imposed under paragraph (j)(xxxi) of this section.

(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:

(xxiii) Nonresident bighorn sheep license; one (1) bighorn sheep.....~~\$2,318.00~~ \$3,000.00

(xxv) Nonresident mountain goat license; one (1) mountain goat.....~~\$2,160.00~~ \$2,750.00

(xxvii) Nonresident moose license; one (1) moose.....~~\$1,980.00~~ \$2,750.00

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(xxix) Nonresident grizzly bear license; one (1)
grizzly bear.....~~\$6,000.00~~ \$7,500.00

23-2-107. Wild bison licenses.

(e) A resident applicant shall pay a license fee of four hundred twelve dollars (\$412.00) for a license to harvest any wild bison or two hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$258.00) for a license to harvest a female or calf wild bison and shall pay the fee required by W.S. 23-2-101(e). A nonresident applicant shall pay a license fee of ~~four thousand four hundred dollars (\$4,400.00)~~ six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) for a license to harvest any wild bison or two thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$2,750.00) for a license to harvest a female or calf wild bison and shall pay the fee required by W.S. 23-2-101(e). The fee charged under W.S. 23-1-701 shall be in addition to the fee imposed under this subsection.

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Section 2. This act is effective January 1, 2024.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk