

SENATE BILL NO. 531

BY SENATOR PEACOCK

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:39(A) and to enact R.S. 14:63(G)(5), relative to criminal trespass; to provide relative to penalties for criminal trespass; to provide for forfeiture of and payment for the killing of wildlife in the course of a criminal trespass; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:63(G)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§63. Criminal trespass

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G. The following penalties shall be imposed for a violation of this Section:

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**(5) In addition to the foregoing penalties, and notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a person convicted under this Section who has killed or otherwise misappropriated any wildlife, as defined by R.S. 56:8, in the course of commission of the offense shall forfeit the misappropriated wildlife to the law enforcement authority, and shall be ordered to pay the value of the misappropriated wildlife into the Conservation Fund of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries in accordance with R.S. 56:40.1 et seq. The value of the wildlife that was misappropriated shall be determined by the guidelines adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission pursuant to R.S. 56:40.2.**

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Section 2. R.S. 56:39(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§39. Forfeiture of quadrupeds, birds, and fish; Fish and Wildlife Violations Reward

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A. In addition to all other penalties provided in this Chapter, violators subject

1 to the provisions of R.S. 56:31 through R.S. 56:37.1 **or R.S. 14:63(G)(5)** shall upon  
2 conviction forfeit any quadrupeds, birds, fish, or other animals seized in connection  
3 with said violation.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_