

PREDATOR CONTROL FUNDING

2011 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: David P. Hinkins

House Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill imposes a fee and creates an account to fund a program to control predatory animals.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ imposes a fee of \$3 on certain hunting permits to be deposited into the Predator Control Restricted Account;
- ▶ creates the Predator Control Restricted Account within the General Fund;
- ▶ provides for the expenditure of money from the restricted account to fund a predator control program; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

23-19-22, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapters 139 and 187

23-19-22.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 187

23-19-22.6, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 187



28 ENACTS:

29 **23-19-48**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



31 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

32 Section 1. Section **23-19-22** is amended to read:

33 **23-19-22. Big game hunting permit.**

34 (1) A person who is at least 12 years old, upon paying the big game hunting permit fee
35 established by the Wildlife Board, paying the fee established by Subsection (5), and possessing
36 a valid hunting or combination license, may apply for or obtain a permit to hunt big game as
37 provided by rules and proclamations of the Wildlife Board.

38 (2) (a) A person who is 11 years old may apply for or obtain a big game hunting permit
39 consistent with the requirements of Subsection (1) if that person's 12th birthday falls within the
40 calendar year for which the permit is issued.

41 (b) A person may not use a permit to hunt big game before the person's 12th birthday.

42 (3) (a) Except as provided by Subsection (3)(b), a person who is younger than 14 years
43 old may not apply for or obtain the following types of big game permits issued by the division
44 through a public drawing:

- 45 (i) premium limited entry;
- 46 (ii) limited entry;
- 47 (iii) once-in-a-lifetime; and
- 48 (iv) cooperative wildlife management unit.

49 (b) A person who is 13 years old may obtain a type of permit listed in Subsection (3)(a)
50 if that person's 14th birthday falls within the calendar year for which the permit is issued.

51 (4) One dollar of each big game permit fee collected from a resident shall be used for
52 the hunter education program as provided in Section 23-19-17.

53 (5) There is established a fee in the amount of \$3 added to each permit under this
54 section to be deposited in the Predator Control Restricted Account.

55 Section 2. Section **23-19-22.5** is amended to read:

56 **23-19-22.5. Cougar or bear hunting permit.**

57 (1) A person 12 years of age or older, upon paying the cougar or bear hunting permit
58 fee established by the Wildlife Board, paying the fee established by Subsection (4), and

59 possessing a valid hunting or combination license, may apply for or obtain a permit to take
60 cougar or bear as provided by rules and proclamations of the Wildlife Board.

61 (2) A person 11 years of age may apply for or obtain a cougar or bear hunting permit
62 consistent with the requirements of Subsection (1) if that person's 12th birthday falls within the
63 calendar year in which the permit is issued.

64 (3) One dollar of each cougar or bear permit fee collected from a resident shall be used
65 for the hunter education program.

66 (4) There is established a fee in the amount of \$3 added to each permit under this
67 section to be deposited in the Predator Control Restricted Account.

68 Section 3. Section **23-19-22.6** is amended to read:

69 **23-19-22.6. Turkey hunting permit -- Use of fee.**

70 (1) A person, upon paying the turkey permit fee established by the Wildlife Board,
71 paying the fee established by Subsection (3), and possessing a valid hunting or combination
72 license, may apply for or obtain a permit to take turkey as provided by rules and proclamations
73 of the Wildlife Board.

74 (2) One dollar of each turkey permit fee collected from a resident shall be used for the
75 hunter education program.

76 (3) There is established a fee in the amount of \$3 added to each permit under this
77 section to be deposited in the Predator Control Restricted Account.

78 Section 4. Section **23-19-48** is enacted to read:

79 **23-19-48. Predator Control Restricted Account -- Contents -- Use of funds.**

80 (1) There is created a restricted account (1) within the General Fund known as the Predator
81 Control Restricted Account.

82 (2) The restricted account includes:

83 (a) deposits made to the restricted account from fees established on hunting permits, in
84 accordance with Sections 23-19-22, 23-19-22.5, and 23-19-22.6; and

85 (b) any other amounts deposited in the restricted account from donations or
86 appropriations.

87 (3) Money from the restricted account shall be used by the division to fund a predator
88 control program to control populations of predatory animals that endanger the health of
89 non-predatory wildlife populations in the state.

90 (4) A predator control program shall be approved by the board before money may be
91 spent from the restricted account to fund the program.

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FISCAL NOTE

S.B. 84

SHORT TITLE: Predator Control Funding

SPONSOR: Hinkins, D.

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STATE GOVERNMENT (UCA 36-12-13(2)(b))

Enactment of this bill will generate approximately \$517,900 per year in new revenues as a result of the additional \$3 fee imposed on certain hunting permits. The funding will be deposited in the newly created Predator Control Restricted Account.

The Department of Natural Resources may incur costs for a new Predator Control Program, but those costs are unknown as the program has yet to be defined. Costs presumably will not exceed revenue available in the new restricted account. Expenditure from the restricted account cannot occur until the Legislature makes appropriations from the restricted account.

STATE BUDGET DETAIL TABLE

	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Revenue:			
Restricted Funds	\$0	\$517,900	\$517,900
Total Revenue	\$0	\$517,900	\$517,900
Expenditure	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact, All Funds (Rev.-Exp.)	\$0	\$517,900	\$517,900
Net Impact, General/Education Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (UCA 36-12-13(2)(c))

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

DIRECT EXPENDITURES BY UTAH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES (UCA 36-12-13(2)(d))

Hunters who purchase certain hunting permits will be paying additional \$3 fee.