

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0147

Game licenses-fees and allocation.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Loucks

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; amending resident
2 allocation of mountain goat and grizzly bear licenses as
3 specified; establishing resident allocation of wild bison
4 licenses as specified; specifying fees; and providing for
5 an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-1-703(e), 23-2-101(e) and
10 23-2-107(e) and by creating a new subsection (g) are
11 amended to read:

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13 **23-1-703. Limitation of number of big or trophy game**
14 **animal licenses; reservation of certain licenses;**
15 **reservation of certain unused licenses.**

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1 (e) The commission shall reserve eighty percent (80%)
2 of the moose, ~~and~~ seventy-five percent (75%) of the ram and
3 ewe and lamb bighorn sheep, and ninety percent (90%) of the
4 mountain goat and grizzly bear licenses to be issued in any
5 one (1) year for resident hunters.

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7 **23-2-101. Fees; restrictions; nonresident application**
8 **fee; nonresident licenses; verification of residency**
9 **required.**

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11 (e) Except as provided in W.S. 23-2-107, resident and
12 nonresident license applicants shall pay an application fee
13 in an amount specified by this subsection upon submission
14 of an application for purchase of any limited quota drawing
15 for big or trophy game license or wild bison license. The
16 resident application fee for mountain goat licenses shall
17 not exceed ten dollars (\$10.00), the resident application
18 fee for all other big or trophy game licenses shall be five
19 dollars (\$5.00) and the nonresident application fee for big
20 or trophy game licenses or wild bison licenses shall be
21 fourteen dollars (\$14.00). The application fee is in
22 addition to the fees prescribed by subsections (f) and (j)
23 of this section and by W.S. 23-2-107 and shall be payable

1 to the department either directly or through an authorized
2 selling agent of the department. At the beginning of each
3 month, the commission shall set aside all of the fees
4 collected during calendar year 1980 and not to exceed
5 twenty-five percent (25%) of the fees collected thereafter
6 pursuant to this subsection to establish and maintain a
7 working balance of five hundred thousand dollars
8 (\$500,000.00), to compensate owners or lessees of property
9 damaged by game animals and game birds.

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11 **23-2-107. Wild bison licenses.**

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13 (e) A resident applicant shall pay a license fee of
14 four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for a license to harvest any
15 wild bison or two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for a
16 license to harvest a female or calf wild bison and shall
17 pay ~~the fee required by W.S. 23-2-101(e)~~ an application fee
18 not to exceed twenty dollars (\$20.00). A nonresident
19 applicant shall pay a license fee of two thousand five
20 hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for a license to harvest any
21 wild bison or one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for a
22 license to harvest a female or calf wild bison and shall
23 pay the fee required by W.S. 23-2-101(e). The fee charged

1 under W.S. 23-1-701 shall be in addition to the fee imposed
2 under this subsection.

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4 (g) The commission shall reserve ninety percent (90%)
5 of the wild bison licenses by type to be issued in any one
6 (1) year for resident hunters.

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8 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2016.

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